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# The SECRET

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White or dark, shiny or dull, chocolate is a finicky beast. It will break a tooth or melt in your hand if it isn't prepared precisely. From trial and error to studying under a pro, Jo Ann Bennett is making a career of getting it just right.

# CHOCOLATE

eep in the piney woods of St.
Tammany Parish, nestled along the country lane intersection of Turnpike and Bennett Cemetery roads, sits a little gingerbread house.

Inside the gingerbread house there are chocolates and cakes and pastries light enough to fly.

It's the Folsom location of Patisserie Joann. Walk into the patisserie and the visitor is greeted by the smell of baking cakes and melting chocolate.

Owner Jo Ann Bennett has taken her small part-time catering operation and turned it into a full-fledged sweet shop, specializing in custom chocolates, cakes, pastries and breads.

Her growth market is customized chocolate bars with company logos or the names of a bride and groom embossed into the creamy

Her clients include Stirling Properties and hip-hop recording artist Juvenile.

After a long office career in the New Orleans accounting and insurance world, Bennett finally succumbed to the love of food and cooking that her Cajun grandmoth-

er from Crowley instilled in her.

"We were just regular folks, but when my grandmother served you, she made you feel like you were sitting down at a queen's table," Bennett reminisced. "It was the way she prepared food; the way she put her all into it."

And Bennett has put her all into her busi-

ness by working on weekends, attending cooking, confectionary and business schools.

It all began when Bennett was confronted with an uncomfortable job situation after her insurance company employer merged with a rival firm.

Bennett decided that

her future lay in cooking and set off to enhance her natural love of cooking with the expertise national cooking schools could provide.

"I worked with a woman just one-on-one with breads for a year," Bennett said. "After that, I worked every weekend with all kinds

of breads. I did wheat, rye, raisin breads, cinnamon rolls, baguettes and French bread."

And although she wasn't sure if she wanted to open a restaurant or a deli she was constantly improving and widening her culinary skills.

Bennett already had a good foundation with wedding cakes and sweets, but began to

experiment with fudges and chocolate candies at a Canadian cooking school that specializes in cake baking

By 1999, she and her husband had moved to Folsom. Her catering business had grown enough to warrant a physical expansion of her gingerbread house

kitchen.

Bennett decided that chocolate could become a sizable part of her business so she sought out experts who could teach her the nuances of chocolate making

"Harry Grist worked for Pulakos 926 Chocolates in Erie, Pennsylvania," Bennett related. "He came in and showed us new recipes and different ways of doing things in packaging and selling candy."

Before Grist revealed the fine points of chocolate cooking, Bennett had learned a lot on her own through trial-and-error.

"When I was in Canada at the cake school, I tried to get some information about chocolate," Bennett said. "You couldn't even find anybody to show you how to temper chocolate. It was like a secret.

"Pure chocolate is what I use, but there's a special production. You can't just melt it and put it in a mold. There's a very special preparation."

Through a combination of hand-dipping molds and semi-large-scale production techniques, Bennett has expanded her chocolate business to include white and dark chocolate, truffles, turtles, caramels, chocolate cigars (which are very popular with bridegrooms) and custom made chocolate bars featuring the names of her business clients like Stirling Properties.

She also makes chocolate candy in the shape of many well-known Louisiana critters *See Chocolate's Secret, page 2* 

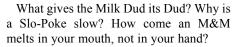




Jo Ann Bennett displays a box of wrapped truffles in the showroom of Patisserie Joann Folsom (right). Pastry Chef Russ Clayton swabs a glaze over fresh-baked fruitcakes (left, top to bottom). Kety Miller prepares delicate chocolate truffle shells for wrapping and Jena Carrol stores chocolate turtles for cooling.



# A delicate degree of difference



More importantly, why does fudge come

The answer, my friend, is not blowing in the wind, but is in the way you temper the

Certified Culinarian Russ Clayton, CWPC, ACF, of Patisserie Joann said temperature is very important when working with chocolate.

"Making good candy is an art in itself because one degree either way and the chocolate just isn't right," he said. "It's the difference between a caramel square and an all day sucker."

Cooking with chocolate is a very delicate business. Too hot and it will scorch. Too cool will make it harden unevenly. A single drop of water can change the entire consistency and make it grainy.

Here are some tempering tips taken from Tallyrand's Culinary Fare's Web site to help you get your chocolate delicacies just right.

Chop the chocolate coarsely with a chef's knife and place it in a stainless steel bowl.

Place the bowl over barely simmering water, making sure that no moisture comes in contact with the chocolate, or the bottom of the bowl, then turn the heat off.

Stir the chocolate occasionally as it melts to keep it at an even temperature throughout, until it reaches 104 to 109.4°F.

Remove the chocolate from on top of the water. Add a large piece of solid chocolate and stir it in to melt it until the temperature drops to between 86° and 91.4°F. Maintain this temperature while you are working with the chocolate.

If the chocolate drops below 84.2°F while you are working with it, re-temper it by repeating the steps listed above.

Properly tempered chocolate will coat the

back of a spoon with an even layer and then harden into a shiny shell. Items to be coated can either be dipped directly into the tempered chocolate with a dipping fork or placed on a rack over a clean sheet tray so the chocolate can be poured over them.

Finally, even a single drop of water can cause the chocolate to seize.

What is singularly odd about chocolate is that the liquid on a damp spoon can spoil the recipe, but large amounts of liquid can be added if warmed to the same temperature as the chocolate.

Remember, the most important thing about making a delicious chocolate treat is sharing the candy.

The Market Bulletin staff is available for chocolate recipe sampling and is located in Baton Rouge.

For more chocolate cooking tips visit http://www.geocities.com/NapaValley/6454 /chocolate.html.

# CHOCOLATE'S SECRET, cont. from page 1

like the alligator and crawfish.

As her business grew, she hired New Orleanian Russ Clayton, a certified working pastry chef, five years ago.

Clayton detailed the precision temperatures necessary to work with milk chocolate as he stirred the thick and creamy dark liquid in

a heating machine known as a temper-

"The machine maintains the temperature of the chocolate and brings it up or down," Clayton said. "With chocolate, the fat molecules have to come together at a certain temperature to give it that nice shiny chocolate that doesn't melt in you hand.

"In restaurants, in general cooking, you can piddle-paddle with the recipes and they will be fine. When you're cooking chocolate and caramels and stuff like that, you have to be on the money.

"You have to be exactly right with the recipe, otherwise you will come up with something you don't want."

When the temperature reaches a steady 88 degrees, Clayton is ready to start pouring chocolate into a series of alligator molds.

It's not uncommon for Clayton and Bennett to be making hundreds of chocolate alligators daily or chocolate bars embossed with the name of the bride and groom to be given as favors.

'We did the rapper Juvenile's wedding. His wife ordered 600 of his logos on a chocolate bar that said 'Juvie the Great,'" Bennett

"My wedding cakes and cakes in general have been the predominant product, but we're getting to the point where candy is moving up to 30 or 40 percent of our business," Bennett explained. "But the chocolate is where I really want to focus. The favors and these things are really what can put me where I need to be."

Bennett said she is ready to expand.

"We're ready to go to Lafayette and the West Bank and to Baton Rouge," Bennett said. "Our plan is to focus on chocolate in general, specifically on chocolate logos and favors.

"The favors are the one thing I would like to market throughout

Bennett said her sales have increased five-fold this year over last

"The chocolate favors have doubled. It's a very positive thing." Bennett's Cajun grandmother would be proud that her grand-

daughter has embraced the kitchen and made it work for her. Bennett looked across her kitchen prep table laden with fruitcakes, chocolate bars, chocolate alligators and crawfish and reflected on her growth proudly, "My grandmother was really a connoisseur and could really do anything with food. She would stand over that old wood stove and would make just anything. This is where I

For more information on Patisserie Joann, visit www.patisseriejoann.com.







Juvenile's custom chocolate bar

belong."

# Agriculture & Forestry Today with Commissioner Bob Odom

The Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry assisted the Louisiana Shrimp Association in completing a recently filed Trade Adjustment Assistance (TAA) petition, Commissioner Bob Odom said.

"The petition was filed to gain financial assistance for Louisiana shrimpers who have suffered severe damage because of the illegal dumping of shrimp from overseas," Odom said. "The petition was filed recently and we expect the review to take up to six weeks.

If it's approved, it would make the of raw agricultural and fisher comholidays a lot merrier for shrimpers."

The shrimpers could get an adjustment of up to 6 cents per pound on the shrimp they harvested in 2003 if the petition is approved. The maximum amount to be paid under the TAA program is \$10,000 per person.

TAA was created in 2002 and implemented for the first time last year. Through the program, USDA provides technical assistance and cash benefits to eligible producers

modities.

"After the review process, assuming the petition is approved, shrimpers will have 90 days to complete their applications at their local Farm Service Agency office," Odom said.

After the applications are submitted, the shrimpers are immediately eligible to request trade adjustment technical assistance from the LSU AgCenter's Cooperative Extension Service at no cost. The technical assistance must be completed before any cash payments will be made to the shrimper.

"It's important that the shrimpers understand they must complete the technical training before the payments will be made. We don't want anyone to sit waiting and waiting for their cash benefits because they didn't complete the training portion. The training has to be finished first," Odom stressed.

The U.S. International Trade Commission has found that shrimp from many of the countries exporting to the United States has been illegally dumped into the U.S. mar-

According to the Census Bureau, shrimp imports have increased from 582 million pounds in 1996 to 946 million pounds in 2002

"As these countries continue to fight each other for market share in the U.S. with deep discounts and predatory pricing, they have virtually forced the Louisiana shrimpers out of the market," Odom said.

The petition was filed November 1 and the review process is expected to take up to six weeks.

# **CATTLE**

No grade sires listed in the interest of better livestock. All dairy cattle 20 mos. of age, beef cattle 24 mos. of age, or pasturient or post pasturient animals of anv age offered for sale, except for immediate slaughter, must have valid 30-day negative brucellosis test certificate. Contact La. Dept. of Agriculture and Forestry, P.O. Box 1951, Baton Rouge, La. 70821-

REMINDER: Have all of your heifer calves between four and 12 months of age vaccinated against brucellosis. For information contact your local veterinarian, LDAF animal health personnel, parish Cattlemen's Association or parish Farm Bureau.

(14) Blk. heifers, bred to reg. Angus, \$14,100. John Briscoe, Elton; (337) 584-2751.

Reg. Simm. & Simbrah cattle, heifers, bulls, prs., \$550/1-up. B. G. Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

(2) Reg. Brangus bulls, 5 ½ yrs., \$1500; 22 mos., \$1000. Stafford Hollier, DeRidder; (337) 328-7473

(15) Reg. blk. Angus heifers, 10-20 mos., open, \$1000/1; (17) reg. blk. Angus bulls, 2 yrs., \$1700-\$2200/1. Gurley Maurin, Hammond, (985) 345-3726 or Buck Maurin, (985) 320-8659.

Reg. blk. Angus bull, 2 yrs., \$2000; reg. Angus cow, 2 ½ yrs., \$1200. Jeanette Freeman, Columbia; (318) 649-0907.

(4) Reg. blk. Angus heifers, 8-9 mos., good show or 4-H prospects, good EPD's, \$900/1-up. Jerry Rosz, Pearl River; (985) 863-

(2) Char. bulls, (1) pb, 11 mos., no bad habits, polled, \$900; 3 yrs., w/papers, tested, no bad habits, polled, \$1500. Philip Melancon, Church Point; (337) 873-6232.

Mexican roping steers, fresh, ready to rope shots & wormed \$450/1 or \$32.5/per month. F.A. Calcote, Bunkie; (318) 346-6480 or (318) 201-0323.

Reg. Angus bull, 2 yrs., excel. producer, \$1500. Buck Harris, Baton Rouge; (225) 769-2978.

Reg. Char. bull, 23 mos., EPD's in top 2% of breed in wean. & yrlg. weights & scrotal, every bull in 4th generation pedigree nationally known, would make excel. herd sire, \$2000. Hilary Watson, Amite; (225) 777-4558.

(3) Reg. blk. Angus heifers, 6-8 mos., out of excel. bloodlines, \$850/1. Corey Zeringue, Cut Off; (985) 632-2695.

(40+) Brangus cows, 3-5 yrs., bred to Brangus bulls, 5-8 mos. bred, \$1100/1; (15) yrlg. Brangus replacement heifers, \$700/1; (22) cross cows, 3-7 yrs., bred to blk. bulls, 7-9 mos. bred, \$900. Bubba Dunn, Greenwood; (318) 938-

Reg. polled Char. bull, 3 yrs. 3 mos., Sky Ease bloodline, ready for heavy service, \$1650. Ed Dugas, Carencro; ead9743@louisiana.edu or (337) 896-4335.

Reg. Char. bulls, \$1500/1-up. Ridley Chauvin, Raceland; (985) 537-6954 or (985) 804-2594.

Large selection of Gelbvieh bulls, all ages, \$900/1-up. Homer Knost, Clinton; (225) 683-8044.

Reg. 3/8 x 5/8 Braford heifers, 18 mos., exposed to Beefmaster bull for 120 days, shown last year in 4-H, excel. conform. & disp., \$950. Stefanie Duhon, Kaplan; (337) 652-6200.

(10) F-1 Braford heifers, coming 2 yrs., some cert., 900-950 lbs., calving soon, \$12,000; 18 mo. 3/8 x 5/8 show heifers, bred, 850 lbs., \$950. Larry Duhon, Kaplan; (337)

Reg. blk. Brangus bull, born 12/03, \$1050; reg. Char. bull, born 1/04, \$1000, both wormed & shots, good bloodlines. Dewey Cormier, Opelousas; (337) 948-4939.

Pb Char. bull, 4 yrs., good EPD's, birth weight 70 lbs., 2300 lbs., naturally polled, \$2000 or swap for equal value of heifers. William Slaydon, Pearl River; (985) 863-3710.

Crossbred heifers, \$1050. R. LaBorde, Hessmer; (318) 563-

Pb Angus bull, 11 mos., easy calving sire, LBW, dam has lots of milk, \$750. Sonny Masters, Jonesboro; (318) 259-7747.

(2) Crossbred cows, bred 6 & 7 mos., 7-8 yrs., avg. wt. 950 lbs. \$1100/all. M. Bridges, Kentwood; (985) 229-3806.

Reg. Texas Longhorn bulls & bull prospects, bred for horn \$650/1-up; cows, \$700/1-up; roping prospects, \$350/1. Dora Wood, Mansfield; (318) 872-6329.

**Reg. Angus** bulls, 2 yrs. & near 2 yrs., large framed, excel. EPD's, semen tested, \$1650/1-up. LaMar DePhillips, Husser; (985) 748-7298.

**Polled Char.** bull, 6 mos., gentle, sire & dam reg., \$600. Gerald Moise, Covington; (985) 892-

Reg. Red Angus bulls, 16 mos., AI from King Rob, \$1400. Jim Ortego, Carencro; (337) 278-

Reg. BBU Beefmaster bulls, top bloodlines, some just weaned, others ready for service, \$850/1-up. Gaston Gerald, Greenwell Springs; (225) 654-8816.

Reg. Angus bulls, (1) 2 yrs., good bloodlines, halter broken, \$2000; (1) 1 yr., good bloodline, \$1200. Tommy Leger, Scott; (337) 873-8859.

Reg. Horned Hereford bull, L1 bred, coming 4 yrs., very gentle, calves to show, \$1500; (2) F-1 Braford heifers, 7 mos., golden cert., \$700/1. Ronald Williams, Deville; (318) 466-3802 or (318) 447-0619.

Reg. Char., 34 yrs. of Char. breeding, Duke, Tundra, Wallstreet & Sky Mon. Ease, cert. herd, bulls 7-26 mos., breeding age bulls, semen tested, dewormed, \$850/1up. Ivy Guillot, Sr., Marksville; (318) 253-8300.

Reg. polled Hereford bull, 13 mos., halter broken, \$1200. Charles Lewis, Angie; (985) 986-1000 or (985) 732-7004.

**Reg. polled** pb Char. heifers, 7-9 mos., \$700/1-up; 13-15 mo. bulls, excel. EPD's, \$1100/1-up. Louis Quave, Bush; (985) 886-5557 or Peter Feringa, Covington; (985)

Reg. Limousin bulls, reds & blks., polled, from AI sires, great EPD's, heavy muscle, docile, yrlgs. & up, herd bull prospects, \$1250/1up. Terry Fox, New Iberia; (337) 364-4241.

Polled reg. Char., excel. cond., temperament & EPD's, weaning age bulls, \$700/1; bred cows, \$1250/1. Joel Pigott, Pearl River; (985) 290-9722.

Maine Anjou bulls, solid blk., all shots, wormed, super weights, AI sired, 7 mos. & 11 mos., \$700 & \$900. Judy Wiggins, Baton Rouge; (225) 752-0309.

Polled Hereford bulls, 6-11 mos., all shots, gentle, Pure Gold, Embracer, 8E & Platinum sire calves, \$600/1-up. Laura Hughes, Zachary; (225) 658-5348.

Char. bulls, w/papers, \$1600/1. Ron Fuqua, Effie; (318) 253-9255.

3/4 Hereford, 1/4 Brahman, born 4/7/02, w/heifer born 9/25/04, \$1400; (2) reg. Hereford bulls, born 3/04, \$600/1; (2) Hereford bulls, born 4/03 & 6/03, vacc., all shots up to date, \$800/1-up. J. Guidry, Abbeville; (337) 898-

4 Yr. reg. blk. Angus bull, nearly 1900 lbs., \$1500. Lawrence Andrus, Independence; (225) 878-

3 ½ Yr. Brangus bull, gentle, \$1250. Bruce Courvelle, Bunkie; (337) 826-7734.

6 Yr. gray Brahman bull, good breeder, \$900. Harrison John-Louis, Breaux Bridge; (225) 749-8424 or (337) 739-4410.

(12) Crossbred cows, w/200-400 lb. calves, \$1000/1. Kurt Martinez, Donaldsonville; (225) 473-3041.

Jersey & Holstein nurse cows, \$800/1. Justin Martinez, Donaldsonville; (225) 473-3041.

Reg. Char. bulls, ready for service, gentle, big, stout, clean & tested, Big Sky & Budsmydad breeding, cert. herd, \$1500/1-up. Walter Lemoine, Marksville; (318) 253-

Reg. Simm. & Simbrah heifers, bulls & prs., \$550/1-up. B. G. Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

Reg. 5/8 x 3/8 Braford bulls & heifers, champ. bloodlines, gain test leaders, weaned heifers, \$700/1-up; bred heifers, \$1100/1up; 2 yr. bulls, \$1500/1-up. Fred Elsing, Alexandria; (318) 442-0741 or (318) 447-1145.

(46) Brangus, bred to Angus bull, already calving, \$40,000/all; (9) reg. Angus heifers, bred avail., \$1200/1. Terry Bonnette, Franklinton; (985) 795-2338.

15. Mo. reg. Beefmaster bull calf., \$600. Jean Romero, Erath; (337) 937-6777.

Reg. Angus bulls, 13 mos.-3 yrs., sired by New Frontier 095, New Design 1407 & Focus, \$1200/1-up. Scott Bickham, St. Francisville; (225) 938-3628.

Char. bulls, 18 mos.-2 yrs., grass raised, won't melt, good EPD's, easy calving, \$1500-\$1600. J. Willis, Elm Grove; (318) 747-

Reg. blk. Brangus bull, 4 yrs., \$1800; (6) reg. Char. cows, coming w/calves, \$950; (6) blk. Brangus cows, coming w/calves, \$850. Dewey Cormier, Opelousas; (337) 948-4939.

Reg. blk. polled Limousin bulls, (1) 3 yrs., (1) 1 ½ yr., calves to show on older bull, \$1000/1-up. David Fremin, New Iberia; (337) 365-6657 ext. 7.

Angus/Limousin replacement heifers, 6-9 mos., (4) to choose from, \$500/1-up; blk. Baldie & Angus cross cows, bred to blk. Limousin bull, vacc., \$750/1-up. Randy Melancon, New Iberia; (337) 685-4029.

Gelbvieh bull, blk., excel. EPD's, just right for balancer cross, born 12/25/03, \$1000. Joe Bondurant, Sicily Island; (318) 389-9901.

(11) Top quality, Longhorn/Corriente crossbred heifers, bred 5-6 mos., \$800/1; (1) top quality Longhorn bull, \$800. T Breeden, Jackson; (225) 634-

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**Reg. QH mare,** 17 yrs., high school rodeo finals in '94, NBHA points & money, \$2500; reg. QH mare, 7 yr. pal., classy & broke, \$2500. Tommy Thiels, Monroe; (318) 680-5991.

**Reg. QH filly,** extra nice, performance bred, no impressive blood, but could halter, flashy & very gentle, straight w/excel. hip & head, \$1250. Paula Durr, Amite; (985) 748-5556.

2 ½ Yr. Molly mule, green broke, out of gaited Jack & gaited mare, \$700. Richard Kirkland, Greensburg; (225) 777-4927.

Reg. Thoroughbred mare, '04 colt to see, \$1500; AQHA mare, full sister is 5 yrs. to Pistol of Ms. Gail Sharfahan, winner on track, barrel prospect, \$3000; AQHA mare, 3 yrs., out of Rebel Dasher winner on track, \$4500; yrlg. stud, out of Rebel Dasher, \$3000. Lance Bass, Pitkin; (337) 328-7652.

**Reg. TW,** (20) weans. & yrlgs., buckskin, pal., blue roan, red/wh. spotted, blk./wh. spotted, bay, blk., \$1000. L. D. Spears, Dry Creek; (337) 328-7365.

**AQHA colt,** 18 mos., Pudden's Luck, Doc Quixote, Poco Champ., Don War Leo bloodline, ready to start training, \$1500. Neil LaFleur, Ville Platte; (337) 351-3029 or (337) 363-0656.

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(4) AQHA weans. & (2) yrlgs. by Lectric Playboy out of daughter of Bob Acre Doc, dams from Doc Jack Frost, Doc Sug & Little Peppy, \$1000/1. Jerry Salley, Many; (318) 256-6975.

**APHA reg.** paint mare, 7 yr., \$1500. Ferall Venable, Scott; (337) 277-2389 or (337) 277-2422.

AQHA golden dapple pal. mare, 3 yrs., no bad habits, clips, loads, baths, gentle, Ol' Yellow Scorpion, Doc's Irish Bar, Sonny Go Jack, Doc's Prescription, \$2500. L. Kirkland, Elmer; (318) 793-5392.

(10) AQHA cow bred mares, 2-10 yrs., many colors, own daughters & granddaughters of money earners, excel. pedigrees, (7) mares bred to pal. & dun stallions, all broke to ride or raise babies, \$2000-\$4000. P. Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 627-9562.

2004 AQHA cow bred colts, all colts well built & correct stud or performance prospects, good quality pedigrees, all halter broke & gentle, (1) buckskin, \$1200; chestnut, \$700; sorrel, \$600; blk. filly, \$1200. Debra Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 627-9562 or (225) 234-2322.

**Arabian reg.** gray mare, 7 yrs., 15 hands, hunter, pleasure or endurance, started under saddle, very green, good disp., \$2000. Kenneth Bridges, Breaux Bridge; (337) 896-3608.

APHA pal. stud, King bloodline, \$1000; APHA, 3-color mare, \$1200; 3-color stud colt, w/blue eyes, \$1200; red & wh. mare, \$1000; blk. & wh. mare, bred, rides, \$1800; mini horses, \$500/1-up; Welsh & Shetland party horses, \$600; saddles, \$125. Shelia Wills, Jennings; (337) 824-5197 or (337) 789-0699

**15 Yr. gray** geld., 14 hands, easy handle, anyone can ride, lots of personality, \$575; 1997 APHA blk./tobiano mare, Leo, Wimpy bloodlines, proven breeder, gentle, anyone can ride, \$1500. G. Soileau, Sunshine; (225) 642-0777.

2003 APHA breeder stock colt, buckskin/dun, very gentle, leads, loads, ties, trimmed regularly, no bad habits, Blondy's Dude, Doc Bar & Peppy San Badger bloodlines, \$1400. Kevin LeMaire, Abbeville; (337) 898-0351.

**Foxtrotter,** buckskin geld., 4 yrs., time breeding 4xs, Golden Governor, gentle, started under saddle, #1 color in breed, gaited & reg., \$3200. Paul Campbell, Breaux Bridge; (337) 845-9981.

Reg. MFT wean. filly, sorrel,

world class parentage, gentle, handled, great companion, \$1200; wean. filly, reg. MFT, bay, will be a buckskin producer when bred to dilute stallion, gentle, gaited, easy to train, \$1500. P. Campbell, Breaux Bridge; (337) 845-9981.

**Reg. QH mare,** 9 yrs., daughter of Wine Seller, bred to Two Straw Robin, red & wh. overo stallion, for Feb. foal, mare is gentle & broke to ride, \$1500. Ed Durr, Jr., Amite; (985) 748-5556.

**Reg. Walkaloosa** mare, 14 yrs., smooth & gentle, excel. trail horse for ladies or kids, leopard app. color, \$1500. Paul Sumrall, Denham Springs; (225) 667-1797

**Rope geld.,** App., 19 yrs., head, heal, breakaway, stock dogging, perfect for a beginner, quiet in box, UTD health record, perfectly sound, \$1200 cash. Johnny Tolbert, DeQuincy; (337) 786-2727.

Barrel mare, paint, 13 yrs., 15.3 hands, winner in local youth jackpots, playdays & Little Britches, anyone can ride, also runs poles 22s & 23s & stakes 9 seconds, well broke & calm in alley, \$3000 cash. J. Tolbert, DeQuincy; (337) 786-2727.

**Reg. bay** QH stud colt, 1 yr., named Cook Hand Peppy, \$500. Mattie Shilling, Denham Springs; (225) 664-4229.

**Young donkey,** Jenny out of miniature paint jack, \$350. M. Shilling, Denham Springs; (225) 664-4229.

**Molly mule,** 12 yrs., gaited, trail, hog, coon, ridden by an 82 yr. man, \$1250. Jim White, Castor; (318) 544-2356.

**1999 Reg.** AQHA sorrel geld., bloodline includes Iron Bird, Boston Mac, Enhanced & Go Man Go, started on barrels & poles, \$2000. Beth Humphries, Monroe; (318) 343-0823.

**Reg. App.** yrlg. & wean. colts, great color & build, \$1250/1. Clay Champagne, New Iberia; (337) 364-1398.

APHC 2000 buckskin mare, w/spots, leads & stands for farrier, \$300; '95 grade POA geld., rides great, solid white, \$1200. Kimberly Biddle, Deville; (318) 466-9279.

**2001 Roan** geld., sire Mesa Crazy Magic, \$2000; '91 gray mare, Top Deck breeding, \$2000. Loura Frye, Natchitoches; (318) 352-1852 or (318) 332-8672.

**Reg. American** Trakhener association, Arab Trakhener mare, 5 yrs., chestnut, dressage or broodmare, \$7500 nego., or private treaty. Carol Charvet, New Orleans; (504) 239-7700.

**Wanted:** draft horse, doesn't have to be fat, will pay sale barn price up to \$500. Shelby Fontenot, Iowa; (337) 582-6179.

# STALLION SERVICE

**1998 Golden** pal., 14.2 hands, wide muscular build, pro trained for cutting, Dry Doc, Doc Bar, Poco Lena, Poco Bueno, Leo Wimpy, \$300/\$3 mare care. Dean

Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 627-9562 or (225) 234-2322.

**2001 Bay stallion,** 14.2 hands, well built, pro trained 1 yr. for cutting, Tanquery Gin, Doc O'Lena, Royal King, Doc Bar, Doc's Sug bloodlines, \$350/\$3 mare care. D. Gentile, Port Allen; (225) 627-9562 or (225) 234-2322.

Shining Sneakers x Shining Spark, AQHA superior reining, AQHA circuit championships, NRHA money earner, \$600/\$6 pasture mare care, \$8 stall mare care. Cheryl Borer, Walker; www.borerquarterhorses@aol.com or (225) 667-7415.

**8 yr. grandson** of Puddenhead, Bay Star, great disp., \$400/\$4 mare care. Jeanette B. Jackson, Jennings; www.quarter-horse.com or (337) 824-1642.

AQHA pal. stallion, sire Mr. Golden Dish, Artic Blizzard, The Genuine Article, dam Skipas Foxy Lena, Fox Quest & Skipas Double Star & Skipa Star, \$350/\$6 mare care. Charles Seal, Oakdale; (318) 748-8572.

**AQHA/PHBA** pal. stallion, sire Mr. Golden Dish, Artic Blizzard, dam Skipas Foxy Lena, Fox Quest, \$300/\$6. C. Seal, Oakdale; (318) 748-8572.

Straight Egyptians at stud, Norus son, IBN Moniet, Farazdac Tuhomos, Imperial Imdal grandson, \$500 introductory offer, limited breeding. Jeff Dupre, Washington; (337) 585-2642.

AQHA homozygous blk. & wh. stallion, '98 MS halter grand champ., guaranteed paint, excel. disp. & conform., \$300. Corey Zeringue, Cut Off; (985) 632-2695

**Egyptian Porcelain** Arabian at stud, proven sires of quality foals, foals to show, 15+ hands, great temperament, IBN Moniet, Shaik Al Badi, Babson bloodline, \$750. Lamar Branham; Scott; (337) 739-

**Egyptian mahogany** Arabian at stud, IBN Halima bloodlines, \$500. Brenda Longrie, Scott; (337) 739-7909.

# SHEEP & GOATS

**(5) Boer goats,** (1) male, (4) female, \$900. Samuel Roland, Pineville; (318) 445-3244.

(4) Male pygmy kids, can band, weaning Nov. 21, \$25/1. T. J. Dellinger, Zachary; (225) 658-2301.

**Nubian buckling,** 5 mos., \$50. Louis Robert, Hessmer; (318) 563-4428.

1 Yr. 100% Boer buck, Cloud Dancing & Kaptein bloodline, \$300. Glenn Gotreaux, Iowa; (337) 582-7363.

**Pygmy goats,** herd reduction sale, does, \$75/1-up; (1) buck, \$50; (1) wether, \$35. Vincent Losavio, Torbert; (225) 625-4439.

**Boer goat** males, breeding age, \$75/1-up; nannies, \$75/1-up. R. LaBorde, Hessmer; (318) 563-

# LIVESTOCK DOGS

Only trained farm stockdogs or offspring from trained stockdogs are eligible to be advertised. Include dog's breeding and special training or ability that qualifies it as a stockdog. A signed statement must accompany each notice indicating these facts before the ad can be published.

**NALC Catahoula** pups, off proven cattle & hog stock, born 9/18/04, wormed & shots, \$175/1. Kelvin Perron, Port Allen; (225) 648-3283.

**AKC/UKC** blk. lab pups, hips & eyes guaranteed, ready for Christmas, sire is HR champ., national field champ. bloodlines, \$800/1. Jennifer Young, Zachary; www.y-farms.com or (225) 445-5012.

**Catahoula-Australian** pups, leopards, shots & wormed, hog & cattle background, born 10/22/04, \$75/1. Terry Fox, New Iberia; (337) 364-4241.

**NALC Catahoula** pups, born 10/04/04, off of working & treeing stock, \$150/1. Mark Matthews, Prairieville; (225) 622-2314.

**UKC rat terrier** pups, varmint dogs, will keep barn free from mice, \$150. Mona Williams, Denham Springs; (225) 665-8680.

NALC Catahoula male, 6 mos., off of proven working stock, blk.-brindle, big bone, \$180/1 nego. Mona Williams, Denham Springs; (225) 665-8680.

CKC Jack Russell pups, short legs, w/smooth coats, all shots, female breeders, \$150; 1 yr. males, \$100. Filton Miller, Church Point; (337) 873-6612.

# **SWINE**

**Farrowing crate**, \$150. James Dufresne, Vacherie; (225) 265-2690

**Mini potbellied** pigs, \$50/1; bred females, \$100/1. Shelia Wills, Jennings; (337) 824-5197 or (337) 789-0699.

**Feeder/weanling** pigs, weanling to 200 lbs., corn fed, on concrete, \$45/1-up. J. B. Richard, Scott; (337) 269-1755.

**Reg. Duroc** gilts & boars, \$150/1. Harold Green, Breaux Bridge; (337) 332-4195 or (337) 332-5595.



Persons with questions regarding bird health or management should contact Dr. Lynne Luna at (318) 927-2821, lluna@ldaf.state.la.us, or 3520 Hwy. 79, Homer, LA 71040.

Canaries, from award winning line, Gloster, \$60/1; opal, \$60/1; bronze, \$65/1; red factor, \$65/1. Carlos Ambrogio, Houma; (985) 868-3648.

Hf Jenday conures, \$250/1;

proven jenday prs., \$450; sun pr., \$500; nanday pr., \$300; gold capped male conure, \$200. Phillip Callegan, Plaquemine; (225) 687-1483.

**Proven breeder** pr., dbl. yellow Amazons, \$1200; Princess of Whales pr., \$400; wh. breasted caiques, \$700; African gray, sex unknown, \$700. Ed Dauphin, Lafayette; (337) 232-0609.

Hf RS eclectus babies, not weaned, \$500; hf large scarlet macaw baby, not weaned, \$850; (2) proven pr. Congo grays, (1) bonded pr. Congo grays, (1) bonded pr. Timenh grays, \$1250/pr. & up. Mike Dugas, Plattenville; (985) 369-2730.

**Large sq. parrot** cage, 2'x3'x4', \$300; (1) rd. parrot cage, 28"x62", high, \$200. Filton Miller, Church Point; (337) 873-6612.

Hahn's macaws, \$375/1; Indian ringneck hen, green \$75; crimson rosella, male, \$325; mustache parakeet, \$150/1; sun conure, \$225; breeder pr., Hahn's macaws, \$750; (30) zebra finches, \$100. Wayne Covell, Scott; (337) 232-5347 or (337) 985) 856-6719.

**Ringneck doves,** \$1.5/1 for (100) birds; \$2/1 for (50) birds, \$2.5/1 for (25) birds; king pigeons, \$3.5/1. Richard Millikin, Oak Grove; (318) 428-2604.

**Breeder citron** cockatoo, \$400; baby blue & gold macaws, 5 mos., hf & tame, \$800. Gerard Peytavin, Folsom; (985) 796-3322.

**Ringneck dove** normals & wh., \$7.5-\$10/1; proven mated prs., \$20 & \$30/pr., will ship. Thomas Rowell, Crowley; (337) 783-5729.

**Hf green-wing** macaw, hatched 3/1/04, \$1100; blue & gold breeder pr., \$1800. Larry Lavergne, Church Point; (337) 277-5767 or (337) 684-2056.

**Goffin cockatoo** hen, \$400; red lory male, \$300. Mike Yglesias, Zachary; (225) 262-0954.

**Blue & gold** macaws, \$1600/pr.; yellow nape, yellow crown Amazons, \$800-\$1000/pr.; breeder cockatiels, \$15-\$20/1. Al Cormier, Rayne; (337) 873-2111.

**Pr. blue & gold** macaws, \$1100. Jerry Duncan, Angie; (985) 848-5567

Cockatiels, hf & breeder age, grays, pieds, pearls, cinns., lutinos, albinos, wh. faces & most combinations, all seamless banded, certificates included, \$30/1-up. Samantha Ivy, Morgan City; (985) 631-3498.

**Buttonquail** normals, \$5/1; other types, starting at \$7/1; zebra finches, \$5/1. James Robertson, Denham Springs; (225) 777-4791.

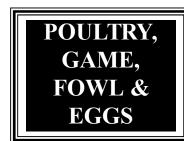
Finches, gouldians, diamond sparrow, shaft-tails, societies & zebra, black-face, black breasted, zebra & other mutations, \$6/1-up. Terry Perez, Cut Off; tbirds@mobiletel.com or (985) 665-3902.

**Pheasants, grown** prs., silvers, \$40/pr.; swinhoes, \$65/pr.; ringnecks sm. size, \$60/4. Dustin Arcement, Raceland; (985) 537-5912.

**Breeder cages,** 3x3x4, \$50/1; Z type nest boxes, metal, \$30/1; (40)

pr. green Quaker breeders, \$150/pr. C. E. Brister, Princeton; (318) 949-2909.

Lovebirds, \$25/1; \$50/pr.; cockatiels, breeders, \$25-\$35/1; parakeets, \$7/1. Aaron Fuselier, Mamou; (337) 457-5667.



**Wh. Muscovy** ducks, \$4.5-\$5.5/1; wh. Peking ducks, \$5/1. B. Soileau, Mamou; (337) 468-5722

**English callers,** over 200 to choose from, blk. Indie, tri-colors, \$7/1. Stephen Dalton, Morganza; (225) 694-3318.

**Roosters, buff** orphington, Rhode Island reds, 8 mos., \$1/1. George Wilson, Shreveport; (318) 687-7394.

**2'x2'x8' Brooder,** w/thermostat for chicks & more, very nice, home made, \$100. Dickie Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-0240 or (337) 250-0492.

**Super large** quail, Pharaoh & Manchurian Golden, hatching eggs, \$25/100 plus S&H; live quail, 75¢/1-up. G. R. Chauvin, Shriever; (985) 448-3360.

**Lg. Pharaoh** quail, \$1.5-\$2/1; small birds,  $35 \frac{1}{50}$ /1; eggs, \$10/100. C. J. Hoffpauir, DeRidder; (337) 328-7495.

SC light brown leghorn bantams, mature cocks & hens, quality birds from show stock, \$15/1 or \$50/trio. Bill Strecker, Slidell; (985) 641-8011.

**Ringneck pheasants,** \$10/1. Darrell Arabie, Duson; (337) 849-3718

Pheasants, per pair, Swinhoe, \$50; Elliot, \$80; silver, \$25; Reeves, \$40; blue eared, \$100; versicolor, \$65; Siamese fireback, \$100; Edwards, \$100; others, \$25-\$350/pr. Kelly McMullan, Princeton; (318) 949-2294.

**(4) Mixed bantam** hens & (2) young roosters, \$3/1 or \$5/2 or \$10/all. Van Jenkins, Folsom; (985) 796-0357.

**Wood ducks,** \$35/pr.; mandarin, \$50/pr.; ring teal, \$60/pr.; misc. singles, \$25/1-up. Mike Yglesias, Zachary; (225) 262-0954.

Rhode Island reds, 6 mos., \$6/1; wh. leghorns, 10 mos., \$6/1, cheaper if all taken. Candy Yglesias, Zachary; (225) 262-0954.

(3) Show quality Rhode Island red bantams, (2) roosters, (1) pullet, they are show birds, \$35/all, also breed Malaysian Serama bantams. Matthew Givs, Sunset; (337) 662-3637.

**Jumbo Pharaoh** quails, live, \$2/1; dressed, \$28/doz.; pickled eggs, \$6/pt.; eggs, \$20/100. Shirley Franks, Lena; (318) 793-8018.

**Pharaoh quails** golden Manchurian & wh., newly hatched to grown, 35¢-\$1.5/1; eggs, 15¢1; live, \$18/doz.; dressed, \$24/doz.; Canadian geese, \$38/pr. Harry Ardoin, Ville Platte; (337) 363-7176 or (337) 360-2896.

(20) Aracana bantam roosters, 6 mos., \$2/1 or make offer. Al White, St. Gabriel; (225) 642-8295.

**Button quail** males, free; button quail prs., \$15/pr. Garrie Landry, Franklin; (337) 828-5957.

**Mallard ducks,** eggs, babies & mature flyers, 50¢-\$10/1. Jennifer Young, Zachary; www.y-farms.com or (225) 445-5012.

**Full grown** giant Rouen ducks, \$5/1. Jerry Schexnayder, Vacherie; (225) 265-2238.

**Wanted:** Cochin bantam hens, and/or pullets. Van Jenkins, Folsom; (985) 796-0357.

**Wanted:** (2) female or (2) pr. of Lady Amherst pheasants, within 125 miles of Lafayette. Darrell Arabie, Duson; (337) 849-3718.

# **PIGEONS**

**Maltese,** \$30/pr.; modenas, \$15/pr.; racing homers, \$10/pr.; Hungarians, \$40/pr. Leo Palmisano, Belle Chasse; (504) 656-2058.

**Common homing** pigeons, adults, \$1.5/1. Garrie Landry, Franklin; (337) 828-5957.

**Janssen pigeons**, \$12/pr. Eugene Wing, Sulphur; (337) 528-9393.

# RABBITS & EQUIPMENT

**NZ, Calif.** & colored bunnies, \$5/1-up. Dale Falcon, Prairieville; (225) 673-4833.

**(8) Grown rabbits,** (7) does, (1) buck, \$5/1 or \$35/all. Jerry Schexnayder, Vacherie; (225) 265-2238

**1 Yr. male,** NZW, Flemish mix, for breeding or pet, \$10; (10) Flemish giant females, 7 mos., meat or breeding, \$10/1, no checks. Bruce Batiste, Slidell; (985) 639-9770.

**Pb silver Martens**, w/papers, show quality, blk., blue & sable, Jr. & Sr. bucks & does, champ. bloodlines, from the top 5 breeders in the U.S., \$25/1-up. Robby Richard, Church Point; (337) 257-0118.

**Wanted:** rabbits, preferably NZ, Calif. & mixed breeds, 8 lbs. & up. Wade Rodi, Braithwaite; (504) 682-0726.

# **RATITES**

Ostrich, 2 hens, \$500/1. Nancy Clemons, Folsom; (985) 796-5534. (4) Pr. Ostrich, great layers, selling in prs. only, \$1000/pr. Dee Kucera, Port Allen; (225) 627-5197.

# DEER & EXOTICS

**Water buffalo,** cow & calf, \$1500; whitetail trophy bucks, \$1500/1; trophy elk bulls, \$2000/1; Sieka trophy buck, up to 9 pts., \$500/1. Herbert LeJeune, Oakdale; (337) 639-2953.

**Llamas, (5) females,** (5) males, different ages, chocolate, wh., long hair & short hair, \$300/male/female pr. Mark Waller, Ponchatoula; after 6 p.m. (985) 542-5676.

**La. whitetail** deer, bucks, does, fawns, sire 10" buck, \$250/1. Tommy Myers, Goldonna; (318) 727-9325.

# AQUACULTURE & EQUIPMENT

**600-800 Pyramid** crawfish traps, \$2.75/1 or \$2.25 if all taken. Darwin Young, Chataignier; (337) 363-8643

**Approx. 1200** used 24" pyramid crawfish traps, w/rods & buttons, 18 gauge, sq. wire, \$2.5/1. Joe Musick, Lecompte; (337) 884-3535

Hydraulic crawfish boat, 12'x4', 11 hp Honda engine, 4-wheels, grading tray, \$3500; used crawfish traps, \$2/1. Wendell Marvel, Mamou; (337) 468-4381.

**Wanted:** 10' or 12 alum. bateau, reasonably priced, within 25 miles, of Walker. Robert Sibly, Walker; (225) 777-4699.

Wanted: albino catfish for farm pond, will pick, pick up in Lafayette area, 10"-12" or larger. Ray Lanthier, Rayne; (337) 873-3757.

# RURAL PROPERTIES

Must offer ten (10) or more adjoining acres of land located in Louisiana. Farmland ads MUST include accompaniments (house, barn, hay field, garden, and what the land is best suited for). Proof of ownership may be required. All ads MUST be accompanied by the following owner-signed statement: "This property is personally owned by me and is not offered for sale by a licensed real estate dealer, broker or salesman."

West Baton Rouge Parish, 26 Acres in Brusly, 3 br, 2 1/2 bath, fenced pasture, (80) pecan trees, RV building, workshop, barn & trac. shed, \$310,000. W. Dugas, Brusly; (225) 749-8986.

**Tensas Parish,** 48.55 acres, 14.65 acres established woodland & 33.9 in CRP, more than \$25,000 income over life of CRP contract, superb hunting, easy access, \$62,000. Jim Funderburg, Waterproof; (318) 749-3090.

St. Landry Parish, 40 acres, developed Bahia pasture, fenced in, w/elec. fencing, several large mature shade trees, (2) limestone roads to the front & back of property, 3 br, 1 bath farm house, w/city water, 50x60 barn under construction, \$105,000. Matthew Givs, Sunset; (337) 662-3637.

**NW Livingston Parish**, approx. 17 acres, 3 mh's for rental income, 7-stall barn w/water & elec., sm. rd. pen, fenced/cross fenced, approx. 1/2 acre stocked pond, frontage on 2 roads, 4 br, 2 bath pier/beam home, w/tin roof, \$299,000. R. Causey, Walker;

(225) 235-5121.

10 Acres, cleared, water, trailer hookup, hunting lease boarders, Centerpoint, La., \$36,000. Richard Moore, DeVille; (318) 794-9533.

**Wanted:** to lease or purchase land for cattle, 250+ acres. Bob Shoalmire, Powhatan; (318) 352-0355 or (318) 471-3175.

# FARM SERVICES

Horse boarding, 70 acres, w/own stall, quiet, peaceful, room to ride, also perfect place & quality care for lay ups, minutes from Lafayette & Evangeline Downs. Mark Allbright, Arnaudville; (337) 754-9104.

**450-B Case** dozer or 580-D Case backhoe, land clearing, dirt work, ponds, \$55/hr., no min. on hours. Wayne Ward, Saline; (318) 576-9958 or (318) 471-9273.

**Dixieland performance** horses, world class trainers, 2 world championships in '01, we train, show & sell, training all breeds, openings avail. now for training. Donnie or Tracy Thrash, Bastrop; http://home.earthlink.net/~dixland, (318) 556-2217 or (602) 509-6220.

**Land clearing,** dirt work, ponds, house pads, forestry construction. Jeff Nelson, Ashland; (318) 544-9090.

**Protect your** investment & your friend, freeze branding now avail., I.D. that is humane & visible year round, \$45. Kim Ballard, Cade; (337) 344-3171.

**Livestock hauling,** cattle, horses or hog, w/32' trailer, also haul hay, w/28' trailer, weekends & mornings. Robert Murphy, Prairieville; (225) 806-9660 or (225) 622-4128.

**Dog training,** obedience, gun dog & hunt tests. Ben Young, Zachary; www.y-farms.com or (225) 445-5012.

# SEEDS, FLOWERS & ORNAMENTALS

**3-Gal. nursery** pots, \$30/100. James Dufresne, Vacherie; (225) 265-2690.

**Daylilies, hybrid** plants, gates, carpenter, salter, spalding etc, huge clumps, complete garden, \$5-\$10. Louise Glasspool, DeQuincy; (337) 786-2760.

**Strawberry plants,** Chandler, 10¢/1. Sharkey Chaney, Gonzales; (225) 673-3884.

**Pine straw,** machine baled, premium quality mulch, clean, at barn, \$4/bale, Slidell area. Bruce Wallis, New Orleans; (504) 483-7775.

**Bi-color confederate** rose, lavender hibiscus, yellow & purple dbl. bush datura, bi-color 4 o'clock, \$1.5/pkt., w/SASE; red 7 sisters rose bush, \$8/1. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, LA 70601; (337) 478-7075.

**Birdhouse & dipper** gourd, cushaw green stripe, 30 seed packet, \$1.5/pkt. James Robin, Sr., 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

**Swan gourd** seed, limited supply, \$2/20 seeds, w/SASE. Lawrence Kelly, 1955 Mussel White Rd., Oberlin, LA 70655; (337) 526-4446.



**Fig trees,** 2 yrs., 2 gal., \$9.50/1; 3 yrs., 3 gal., \$12.50 at place; 10 varieties, SASE for list. Betty Robin, 4017 Hwy 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

**Elliot, grafted** pecan trees, 2 yrs., in large containers, 1" to 1 ½' caliper, 6 ft. tall, \$45/1. James A. Robin, Opelousas; (337) 407-0188.

**Strawberry** plants, camrosa, \$4.5/25 bundle. Michel Catalanatto, Natalbany; (985) 542-4784 or (985) 320-6975.

**Loquat, \$5/1-up;** Celeste, green ischia & honey dew figs, \$6/1-up; bi-color confederate rose, \$5/1; red spider lilies, \$25/25; lily of the Nile, \$6/1. Morris Collura, 3237 Louisiana Ave., Lake Charles, LA 70601; (337) 478-7075.

**Mayhaw trees,** 19 yrs., 1-10, \$225/1; 10 or more, \$200/1. Dick Campbell, West Monroe; (318) 396-0415

Chinese parasol, large leaves, used for shade at Audubon Zoo, in gal. pots, up to 24", at place, \$5/1. Laura Dovalina, Metairie; (504) 831-2833

**Cypress trees,** \$9 & \$11/1. D. Bordelon, Ponchatoula; (985) 345-4280.

**Celeste & brown** turkey fig, \$5/3-gal.; southern magnolia, 3-4 gal., \$10-\$12/1; Japanese plum, \$5/3-gal.; Chinese fan plums, \$12/3-gal.; jelly palms, by size, \$8-\$12/1; monkey grass, 3 qt. tufts, \$1/1. James Stelly, Eunice; (337) 457-4528.

**Cypress trees,** river birch, live oak, red maple, 3-gal., \$7.5/1. Glenn or Angela Austin, Winnfield; (318) 628-6150.

**River birch** trees, 3-gal., single, \$3.25/1; dbl., \$3.5/1; triple trunk, \$3.75/1; 3-gal. live oak, \$4/1; plum loropetalum, 3-gal., \$3.75/1. Cheryl Monk, Oakdale; (318) 335-9364.

**Louisiana live** oaks, 1-gal., 3'-4', \$2/1; live oak liners, 18"-24", 50¢/1 good stock. A.M. Gray, Patterson; (985) 395-5193 or (985) 518-4711.

**Planter tubs,** 25-gal., heavy plastic, excel. for citrus & trees, \$10/1. E. J. Flanagan, Hammond; (985) 345-1498.

**Wanted:** China ball trees. Mr. & Mrs. Galley, New Iberia; (337) 364-7017.

Wanted: blight resistant chinquapin trees. James Harris, Goldonna; harrishill@team-national.com or (318) 727-8860.

# HAY & GRAIN

Bahia 4x4 Rd. bales, very clean, heavily fert., \$20/1 or \$18/1 if 25 or more purchased; lightly fert., \$12.5/1 or \$10/1 if 25 or more purchased; fert. Bahia sq. bales, \$3.5/1. Faron Salario, LeBlanc; (337) 738-2355 or (337) 513-9434.

**2004 Alicia** rd. bales, excel. hay, in field, \$15/1; in barn, \$20/1. Mark Vining, Amite; (985) 748-8524.

**Bahia or Rye** grass, sq. bales, horse quality, no weeds, \$2.75/1. Lew Overton, Slaughter; (225) 654-0086.

**2004 5x4 rd.** bales, good quality Bahia, \$14/1. Gary Guy, Zachary; (225) 654-6491.

**4x5** ½ **Bahia** rd. bales, fert., \$20/1, del. avail. Duane Wilson, Slaughter; (225) 683-3044 or (225) 978-5699.

**2003** Alicia Bahia 4x5 rd. bales, in barn, \$30/1; cattle mixed grass, \$15/1. Brandy Cella, Bush; (985) 892-0240

**Alicia Bermuda** hay, sq. bales, \$4/1 you load. Rod McKinney, Port Allen; (225) 627-5197.

**2004 Jiggs** Bermuda, limed & fert., in barn, \$3.75/1, discounts for (50) or more bales. Keith Cahanin, Mire; (337) 873-6607 or (337) 257-2469.

**Fert. Bahia,** Alicia, 4x5 rd. bales, cond., cut & cured, '04, \$20/1; '03, \$15/1. C.M. Duplechian, Jennings; (337) 824-2989.

**2004 Bahia** 4x5 rd. bales, horse quality, in barn, no rain, clean, \$30/1; cow hay outside, \$20/1. Homer Dutsch, Bush; (985) 892-4041.

**2004 Season,** Bahia hay, excel. quality, well fert. & cured w/o rain, (1000) sq. bales, in barn, \$2.5/1; (300) 4x5 rd. bales, \$20/1. Ike Nichols, Kinder; (337) 639-2140.

**High quality** Bermuda racehorse hay, first cut in May '04, sq. bales, \$3-\$4/1; rd. bales, \$20-\$40/1, Milton area. Joe Duhon, Lafayette; (337) 856-4266 or (337) 230-7273.

**Bahia hay,** 6x5 rd. bales, in field, \$20/1; in barn, \$25/1. Mike Patanella, Independence; (985) 878-9765 or (985) 687-5030.

**Large 5x6** rolls of mixed grass hay, clover/rye, Johnson grass, Bermuda, Dallis, \$18-\$20/1. R. Byone, Cloutierville; (318) 379-0147.

**2004 Jiggs** Bermuda 4x6 rd. bales, Jiggs, \$30/1, will deliver \$5/1. Don Bernard, Broussard; (337) 989-9675.

**Wanted:** free hay for baling, 20 acres in Breaux Bridge. Patrick Landreneau, Mamou; (337) 271-4602.



**New receiver** hitch, w/adaptor, \$120. Betty Stockman, Oakdale; (318) 335-2967.

**6' Brush hog,** heavy-duty 3.16 metal, \$500. Tommy Stockman, Oakdale; (318) 335-2967.

**Kuhn FCG 300** mower-conditioner, excel. cond., cuts 10', good for haylage, \$7500. Ron Pope, Franklinton; (985) 839-5271.

**Ford 8600** trac., approx. 105 hp, new clutch, paint, fair cond., w/7' heavy-duty shredder, \$5500. David Ledoux, Opelousas, (337) 543-6871 or Dwayne Leger, (337) 948-6949.

**Quick detach** front-end loader, for large trac., w/bucket & bale spear, \$2000. Donald Richardson, Winnfield; (318) 727-8754 or (318) 471-1627.

W & A 8-row hipper, w/Orthman row markers, \$2600; Taylorway 8-row cult., w/fenders, \$1500; Bridger planter, 8-row w/row markers, \$1200. Bobby Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

**JD 4020** trac., needs trans. work, bearing out, \$4500 obo. Lester Fournier, Houma; (985) 580-4897.

**JD 450 C dozer,** good cond., \$12,000. Denise Jackson, Coushatta; (318) 932-5213.

**JD 3255 c/a** MPWD, '93, 100 PTO hp, \$25,000; CI 495, 43 PTO hp, roll guard, bumper, under 2000 hrs., \$7500. Dean Burns, DeRidder; (337) 463-9356.

**Ford 3930** w/loader, 1500 hrs., \$12,000; Ford 2000 diesel, for parts or to fix, \$950. Michael McFadden, Grand Cane; (318) 470-8225.

Int. 140 trac., w/some tools, \$3000; 1466 Int. trac., \$4000. Daniel Laborde, Mansura; (318) 964-2902.

IH 1460 combine, mud hog, 22 ½' 820 header, \$8500; Bowman 8-row wick bar, w/front trac. mount, \$1200; Orthman 8-row cult., w/busters & all other attachments, \$7000. Derek Dauzat, Marksville; (318) 253-5386.

1998 Ford 3930 trac., only 286 hrs., rear SCVs, telescoping draft links, must see, excel. cond., \$11,600. Alvin Auzenne, Jr., Opelousas; (337) 543-8483 or (337) 308-0641.

10' Land Pride 3 cyl. back blade, \$1800; 8-row JD 7300 vacuum planter, split rear boxes, row markers, plastic boxes, herbicide & fert. spray, \$8000; 4840 JD trac., dual tanks, \$14,000. Roy Quirk, Bunkie; (318) 346-7535.

**3 Pt. hitch** toolbar, 2"x2" solid bar, \$50; row builders, needs new bearings, \$50; grader blade, push or pull, \$250; RM 550 Woods finish mower, \$450; new turnbuckles, 1 1/4" galv., heavy-duty, full extension approx. 30", pin & clevis type, \$10. Bob Oubre, Montz; (504) 559-5236.

**706 Int. trac.,** 95 hp, \$3800; MF trac., 45 hp, \$2800; 14' land leveler, \$1000; trac. weights, \$50/1; 8' front blade, \$250; (3) 7.5-20 tires & rims, \$75/all. Shelia Wills, Jennings; (337) 824-5197 or (337) 789-0699.

Forklift, heavy-duty forks & shaft for backhoe, good cond., \$500; Case 36" backhoe bucket, good cond., \$500. Michel Fox, New Iberia; (337) 369-8020.

ARPS backhoe, very good cond., \$3000; JD heavy-duty bush hog, very good cond., \$1000. Larry Lejeune, Iota; (337) 779-1233.

NH 353 feed mill, grinder & mixer, 4480# shell corn capacity, on wheels, portable w/auger, PTO

driven, shed kept, excel. cond., \$4000. Darby Miller, Church Point; (318) 561-6190.

**Belarus 250** AS 33 hp, 600 hrs., \$3000. Danny Doucet, Jennings; (337) 824-5566.

**JD 4020** w/front-end loader, new bucket & hay forks, new radiator, other new parts, good cond., mechanic says great trac., \$9500. Todd Deville, Ville Platte; (337) 363-3094.

**Dozer Mitsubishi** BD2F, 4 cyl. diesel, 6-way blade, 85% undercarriage, good cond., \$9500. Malcolm Griffith, Jamestown; (318) 894-2868.

**1993 JD 5300** trac., 2200 hrs., good cond., \$10,500. Larry Prestenbach, Houma; (985) 868-

**Bionic type** grader blades, new, 5', \$630; 6', \$699; 7', \$819; comm. 7', \$1290. Mike Passman, Amite; (985) 748-5094.

**JD model 850,** w/canopy & roll bar, \$6200. Peter Cheek, Kaplan; (337) 643-6811.

**Kawasaki 65Z** wheel loader w/general purpose bucket, \$14,000. Gary Cashio, St. Amant; (225) 675-6779.

**Farmall cub** trac., 4' w/Woods belly mower, \$1000. Harvey Riche, Bunkie; (318) 876-2234.

**3'x7' Drag harrow,** built on 3 pt. hitch, w/2-rows of teeth on bottom, \$250. Larry Duhon, Kaplan; (337) 652-6200.

ATN 900 bush hog finishing mower, no rust holes, good shape, new blades, \$6000, no personal checks. Richard Byrd, St. Bernard; (504) 676-3530.

**(4)** Used 14-00x24 motor grader tires, \$50/1. David Hadley, Port Barre; (337) 585-2873.

**Multi power** shift, fair cond., w/6' bush hog, \$4000; extra rear tires & wheel, \$250. Guy Busalacchi, Arabi; (504) 279-9833 or (504) 460-7536.

**Toro model** 327 Groundsmaster, needs very little work on carburetor, \$1000. John Womack, Baton Rouge; (225) 355-5337.

**(2)** Long backhoes, need work, \$500. Kenneth Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-6733.

1175 Case 120 hp, good tires, rebuilt engine, 2 yrs., not a power shift, \$6500. Donald Meaux, Gueydan; (337) 536-6639.

941 Ford trac., w/5' bush hog, 1-row chopper grader blade, \$2500. Harold Trosclair, St. Martinville; (337) 394-9622.

**JD 2955 trac.,** 2223 hrs., 1985 model, 85 hp, mint cond., 1 owner, \$13,000. Michael Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 599-3038.

IH 5488 trac., c/a w/new engine & new tires, \$13,000; IH 4586 for parts, \$700. James Stacy, Natchitoches; (318) 663-3692.

Allis Chalmers, model D17 Series IV, gasoline, very good cond., choppers & middle buster, manuals, \$4000. Nelson Dupuy, Sunshine; (225) 642-5350.

**(2) 4-Row** JD 3 blade pickup disc, \$800; 4-row granular insecticide applicator, 3 pt. transport wheels, new, \$450. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer; (318) 563-8478.

NH 280 sq. baler, very good cond., baled this season, \$2250. Dale Cartimiglia, New Iberia;

(337) 367-6228.

**Straight dirt** blade, w/push arms & hyd. tilt, for D6E or D6D Cat dozer, \$3000. Dianne Price, Denham Springs; (225) 667-2031 or (225) 664-4350.

**JD model 310,** 15' disc, good shape, \$3000 obo. Anthony Shaidaee, Denham Springs; (225) 665-1409 or (225) 931-1383.

**2003 NH TB** 100 trac., 80 PTO hp, \$19,800; 650 NH rd. baler, \$6000; JD 336 sq. baler, \$3500. Duane Wilson, Slaughter; (225) 683-3044 or (225) 978-5699.

Vicon 8' hay cutter, \$5500; Deutz 5' hay cutter, \$500; NH side delivery hay rake, \$1000; Walton 3 pt. V rake, \$500; 17' fluffer, \$2800. D. Wilson, Slaughter; (225) 683-3044 or (225) 978-5699.

**14' Heavy-duty** Amco, new ground disc, w/dbl. blades, airplane tires, \$1750. Bob Shoalmire, Powhatan; (318) 352-0355 or (318) 471-3175.

**1991 Mahindra** 450, 45 hp, ready to work, \$5200; 5' bush hog, new stump jumper & blades, new deck, \$500. Burel Smith, Lake Charles; (337) 855-3058.

7' **Dale Phillips** box blade, equipped for quick hitch, brand new, \$750. F. A. Calcote, Bunkie; (318) 346-6486 or (318) 201-0323.

**PZ mower** conditioner, cuts drying time, \$4500; NH sq. baler, \$600. David Babineaux, Scott; (337) 207-0271.

**JD 2040,** 4 wd, 80 hp, 4 cyl., new tire on rear, very strong, runs great, \$14,000. James McDonald, Sugartown; (337) 328-8886.

Raven saddle mount tanks, (2) 200 gal., w/rack, \$300; various parts for JD 329 cu/in. diesel engine. Clyde Laborde, Mansura; (318) 563-8688.

**PZ 165 hay** drum cutter, good cond., 5 ½', \$700. Chad Lasseigne, Port Allen; (225) 413-9138.

**6 Cyl. Waukesha** engine, w/PTO, used for crawfish pond pump, \$1000. Don Taylor, Gonzales; (225) 622-5143.

**Komatsu D65E-6** bulldozer, recently rebuilt on engine, trans. & torque, C-frame, angle blade, \$20,000; K-G blade, cost \$17,000, hardly used, \$3500. Peter Tebbetts, Leesville; (337) 238-4392.

**706 Int. trac.,** for parts or can be repaired, \$500. Bruce Courvelle, Bunkie; (337) 826-7734.

JD 37' front-end loader, w/remote, bucket, hay forks, for medium size trac., \$1500. Conrad Deshotel, Mansura; (318) 964-2320.

JD 660 side del. rake, \$850; Athens 12' breaking disc, \$1000; JD 670 diesel w/ROPS, \$4500; JD 2950 c/a, w/148 JD loader, needs repair, \$12,950; Ford 2000 diesel, 8 spd., \$3000. R. Coldiron, Jonesville; (318) 339-7876.

**JD 570A motor** grader, \$13,500. Gary Anderson, Cloutierville; (318) 379-0980.

(4) Turf tires, (2) back tires 13.6-16, (2) 29x12-15 on universal rims for front, \$400/all or trade. Alice Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-0240.

**Like new** FX 20 Yanmar trac., w/new front-end loader, power shift, 3 cyl., 27 hp, \$8000 nego. Dustin Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-0240 or (337) 250-0492.

New reversible dirt scoop, 30",

\$200 or trade for 4' utility rake that swivels, 3 pt. Arron Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-0240 or (337) 250-0492.

Yanmar diesel trac., 27 hp, like new, 40 hrs., w/4' finishing mower, \$5000 or trade for zero turn lawn mower. T-Nick Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-0240 or (337) 250-0492.

**YM 2210** Yanmar trac., like new, 30 hrs., w/tools, \$4000. Dickie Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-0240 or (337) 250-0492.

**Vermeer hayfork** forklift, stacks rolls 3 bales high in barn, \$1200. R. Byone, Cloutierville; (318) 379-0147

**2001 JD 6410** trac., 940 hrs., \$38,000; JD 900 series, V-ripper, sub soiler, II shank, \$1500; JD 400-gal. saddle tank, spray rig, \$1200; 500-gal. fuel tank on wheels with elec. pump, \$1200 prices nego. Jayce Steen, Iota; (337) 779-3447 or (337) 783-7064.

**Gehl CB 800** silage haylage chopper, 1000 RPM, elect. spout, 7' haylage header, 2-row corn header, good cond., \$5000. Tim Gautreaux, New Iberia; (337) 365-7007.

(2) IH 815 combines, (1) in excel. cond., (1) for parts, (3) IH grain & corn heads, \$4000. Shaun Peck, Arnaudville; (337) 945-2700.

**Int. 37' Vibrashank** model 4712, \$3000; Kraus 31' disc model 1960, \$1500. Ralph Hardy, Iowa; (337) 582-3210.

**NH 404 grass** crusher/crimper, \$200; (2) Goodyear Dyna Torque radials, 20.8R38, (1) good, (1) cut, 70%, \$150. Terry Grady, Batchelor; (225) 492-3211.

**JD 960 24'** field cult., \$2800; JD 4-row floating pickup disc, w/jumbo gandy chemical boxes, used 1 yr., all bearings & blades new, \$3500; JD 4420 combine, w/216 flex head, \$5000. Jay Helminger, Mansura; (318) 964-2189.

JD 6 bottom turning plow, \$1200; Allis Chalmers, 21' disc, \$600; 8' Rhino shredder, \$450; 13' Melroe 244 grain drill, \$450; IH 480 disc, great cond., \$1200; JD 4-row 7100 plateless planters, \$1200. J. Helminger, Mansura; (318) 964-2189

**1974 JD 401-C,** 60 hp, diesel, w/loader, PTO, 3 pt. hitch, remote valve, shuttle gear, great mechanically, \$7000 firm. Gerald Register, Sunset; (337) 662-5807 or (337) 322-3416.

**Hay fork,** 2-tines, \$200; tiller, 3 pt. hitch, \$150. James Cox, Ethel; (225) 683-9706.

Cat road grader, 12E, good shape, \$10,000; Cat D4E, completely overhauled, painted, \$24,000; '86 IH stake body truck, w/lift gate, \$8500; JD 650H dozer, a/c cab, extras, \$93,500; Ford L9000, w/extras & tilt lowboy, \$24,000. Carolyn Seal, Bogalusa; (985) 732-5395.

**8' Grader blade,** 3 pt. hitch, like new cond., \$275. Robert Willie, Folsom; (985) 796-5364.

**2001 Vermeer** 1102 stump grinder, 110 hp, excel. cond., \$17,000 obo; JD 530 rd. hay baler, for salvage, bent tailgate, \$800. Ben Young, Zachary; www.y-farms.com or (225) 445-5012.

**Wanted:** 3 pt. mounted backhoe, for farm trac. J. Willis, Elm Grove;

(318) 747-0079.

**Wanted:** Claus 4x4 hay baler, in good shape. Farrell Woods, Gueydan; (337) 536-6845.

**Wanted:** 7.5x20 tri. rib combine rear tire, to fit JD 4400. Clyde Laborde, Mansura; (318) 563-8688.

**Wanted:** trac. tire 11-2-38, fair cond. Stanford Domingue, Duson; (337) 873-8717.

**Wanted:** old JD 450 dozer, for parts, any cond. Kevin Murphy, Folsom; (985) 796-9681.

Wanted: 3 Pt. PTO driven trencher, for 35 hp compact trac., 6"-8" trench width, dig depth up to 36". Charles Langlinais, Broussard; (337) 837-5811 or (337) 319-6254.

**Wanted:** Case 450 dozers, any shape, whole or in parts. P. R. Krantz, Krotz Springs; (337) 566-3511.



**1997 GMC** Z71, extended cab, 72,000 miles, clean, excel. cond., \$10,900. Denise Jackson, Coushatta; (318) 932-5213.

**Rear bumper,** \$200; set of new mirrors, fits '03 Chevy 3500 truck, \$80/1. A. R. Bordelon, Ville Platte; (337) 351-1129.

(4) 2003 Chevy Silverado truck tires & rims, w/6-holes, Goodyear P245/75R16 tires, in good shape, \$400. Dickie Sherman, Crowley; (337) 788-0240 or (337) 250-0492.

1984 Dodge 3/4-ton, w/new 318 engine, good body & tires, good work truck, \$2900. Buvens Deshautelle, Marksville; (318) 253-9534.

**1991 Ford F-700** diesel truck, w/6 spd. trans., winch bed, gin poles, rolling tailboard, 112,000 miles, \$8900; 50-gal. rd. saddle tank, \$35; 411 ring & pinion gear to fit late model Z-71, \$100; 350-cubic-inch intake manifolds, Chevrolet, \$100. Morris Pitre, Opelousas; (337) 543-7289.

**2003 GMC** Sierra, 2500, single cab, auto, towing pkg., gooseneck hookup, only 7500 miles, like new, \$16,000. Marvin Carter, Pineville; (318) 442-1717.

1992 3/4-ton truck rear-end, like new, 373 gear ratio, came off Chevy, complete w/brake drums & cables, \$675. Ed Durr, Jr., Amite; (985) 748-5556.

**2000** Chevy 3500, single rear wheels, 4 wd, auto, crew cab, 350, 78,000 miles, well maintained, \$14,000. James McDonald, Sugartown; (337) 328-8886.

**Alum. toolbox,** for full size truck, very good cond., like new, \$250. James Boudreaux, Belle Rose; (225) 473-7635.

**1983 Ford** Bronco 4x4, excel. cond., 8 cyl., extra tires, cold a/c, \$2600. Dwayne Riche, Cottonport; (318) 964-2473.

1973 C60 Chevrolet Bobtail, 366 industrial engine, 17' steel bed, 2 spd. rear end, \$1200; '86 GMC Bobtail, 427 engine, 20' steel bed, 2 spd. rear end, air brakes, \$3800. Jay Helminger, Mansura; (318) 964-2189.

**1986 GMC** 2500 series truck, good work truck, good tires, runs well, \$2000 obo. B. R. Mitcham, Madisonville; (985) 845-3251.

**1996 Ford** F-250 diesel, power stroke, ext. cab, 176,000 miles, \$7500. Ferall Venable, Scott; (337) 277-2422 or (337) 277-2389.

**JD trail gator,** utility vehicle w/cab, grill guard, dump bed, etc., \$3500. R. LaBorde, Hessmer; (318) 563-4566.

1999 F-350 dually, lariat package, all leather, loaded, gooseneck hookup, white, 67,000 miles, like new, \$24,995. F. A. Calcote, Bunkie; (318) 346-6486 or (318) 201-0323.

**1989 Ford** F-250, heavy-duty, one owner, 351 V8, 5 spd., 64,300 miles, w/matching 8'x24' flatbed gooseneck trailer, (2) 7000 lb. axles, elec. brakes, 10-ply tires, both in excel. cond., \$9300. John Mailhes, Keithville; (318) 925-0898.

2000 Hypertech power chip, for 2000 Ford F-250, 7.3L turbo diesel, increase fuel economy & power, (2) K & N air filters for '00 F-250, \$275 obo. Walter Francis, Folsom; (985) 796-5085.

(2) 9:00x20 tires, mounted on rims, (1) slick, (1) good, \$150/both. Bernard Seghers, Lacombe; (985) 882-3059.

**1980 Ford** F-150, \$1500. James Cox, Ethel; (225) 683-9706.

**1989 Ford** F-250, auto, 351, extended cab, \$1750. C.C. Odom, Pitkin; (318) 634-5457.

**Driver side** door for GMC ext. cab, \$175. William Pyle, Baton Rouge; (225) 273-0722.



**Low-boy** trailer, hauls grader. Carolyn Seal, Bogalusa; (985) 732-5395.

**4-Wheel, elec.** wheel, wagon, rubber tires, may be pulled w/pick-up or trac., good cond., \$500. F. A. Calcote, Bunkie; (318) 346-6486 or (318) 201-0323.

**1999 WW alum.** 2-horse trailer, extra tall, extra wide, excel. cond., \$4000. Deanna Mathus, Delhi; (318) 878-9920.

Horse, mule or large pony sulky or 2-wheeled cart, homemade, great shape, used on trail rides, parades, etc., holds (2) people, plus ice chest, \$400. Tony Stein, Vacherie; (225) 265-8663.

**2-Horse, bumper**-pull, horse trailer, w/tack compartment, fair cond., \$400 or will deal for a bumper-pull stock trailer. Danny Middlebrooks, Eunice; (337) 580-0343.

1982 40' Wilson trailer, steel, hopper bottom & '73 core alum., hopper bottom, grain trailer, \$3500/both. Tim Gautreaux, New Iberia; (337) 365-7007.

**2-Horse covered** wagon, under cut, rubber tires, \$700; pony wagon, \$600; pony cart & harness, \$400. John Shilling, Denham Springs; (225) 664-4229.

(35) Cotton trailers, 8'-10' wide, 24'-40' long, for hay trailers or storing crawfish traps, good to excel. cond., del. avail., \$500-\$1450. T. L. Enright, Sr., Sicily

Island; (318) 389-5395.

2000 Exiss 3-horse trailer, w/weekender special, all alum., like new, a/c, w/heat strip, refrigerator, hot water heater, microwave, cowboy shower, extra nice cabinets & sink, insulated & paneled, \$13,500. Ed Durr, Jr., Amite; (985) 748-5556.

**Covered wagon** 3'x7' bed, w/harness, \$550; Owensboro pull wagon, w/swivel seat, \$375; '78 motor home, \$2000; 25' Terry camper, \$3800; fiberglass camper shell, \$400. Shelia Wills, Jennings; (337) 824-5197 or (337) 789-0699.

1984 Hillsboro 20'x7' gooseneck livestock trailer, alum. body, steel frame, 8000 lb. axles, 10 ply Michelin radial tires, new lights, \$3000. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer; (318) 563-8478.

**1980 2-horse,** in-line gooseneck trailer, w/dressing room & feed boxes, very good cond., \$1200. Tom Jordan, Deville; (318) 442-5549.

**8'x30' Cotton** wagon, to store crawfish traps or hay, \$750. Darwin Young, Chataignier; (337) 363-8643.

**16' Gooseneck** dump trailer, 3-axles, \$4000; '67 2-ton truck, w/dump, \$1300. Donald Hodge, Lake Charles; (337) 436-1892 or (337) 496-5750.

**2002 25' dovetail,** gooseneck trailer, w/spring loaded ramps, built by C & F welding, \$4000. C. C. Odom, Pitkin; (318) 634-5457.

**16' All alum.** dual WW trailer, never used, 1 yr., \$5600. S. Lemoine, Arnaudville; (337) 754-5227.

**2-Horse Featherlite slant,** large complete living quarters, w/20' awning, great for shows or trail riding, \$14,000 obo. Jim Gondron, Broussard; (337) 837-1730.

**2002 30' gooseneck** flatbed, 5' dovetail, low profile, 20,000 lb. capacity oil axles, like new, \$6250; 16' flatbed bumper pull, good floor, brakes, \$800. Joe Pieri, Folsom; (504) 628-5361 or (985) 796-9538.

**Hay trailer, 41',** hauls (20) rolls, \$3500 or will trade. Lance Bass, Pitkin; (337) 328-7652.

**Wanted:** antique farm implements and/or horse drawn equip., will clean your yard or barn. Doug Miller, New Iberia; (337) 365-5555.



**Fuel tank,** 20,000 gal., welded steel, \$1800 or trade. Kenneth Pitre, Eunice; (337) 457-5686.

**Shenandoah gas** incinerator model A-10, used only twice on poultry farm, \$1200. Maribeth Lewing, Florien; (318) 256-2188.

**Heavy-duty** 3/8" drill, \$40; air diesel, w/several chisels, \$40; heavy-duty metal grinder 7", \$40; excel. buffer w/pad, \$40; orbital sander, w/extra pad, \$40. Larry Duhon, Kaplan; (337) 652-6200.

Sausage stuffer, 2-gal. hand crank, like new, \$250. Curtis Stelly, Fordoche; (225) 637-3375.

**2 3/8" tubing,** 85¢/ft.; 2 7/8", 95¢/ft.; 3 ½" tubing, \$1.75/ft., larger sizes also avail. Terri Brasseaux,

Carencro; (337) 896-8462.

**Automatic head** gate, very good cond., \$200. Kenneth Fontenot, Ville Platte; (337) 363-6733.

1957 200 amp Lincoln short hood machine, redone, new alt., rebuilt starter, new paint job, w/grind ease, ready to be put to work, \$2500. James Perkins, Elizabeth; (318) 634-7319.

**Structural steel** pipe, 4" OD 38'-40' long, \$3/ft.; 4 1/2" OD & 5" OD 31' long, \$4/ft. F. E. Van Hook, Arcadia; (318) 263-2307.

(2) 6-ton tandem axle feeders, needs repair, \$400/1; 35 KW PTO generator, excel. cond., \$1500; 55 KW PTO generator, excel. cond., \$2000. Perry Murray, Marion; (318) 292-4458.

**18** Gauge panels 8'-16', gate 4'-18', feed troughs, 10', \$105; hay rings, open & closed bottoms, Sweet Lix 200 lb. molasses tubs, 25% protein. Celia Juneau, Hessmer; (318) 563-8478.

**9-Bushel** seeder, 3pt., \$450; hay forks, \$275; head gates, automatic, \$350. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer; (318) 563-8478.

**2 3/8" tubing,** 85¢/ft.; 2 7/8" tubing, 95¢/ft. Gene Denton, Jena; (318) 992-4504.

**8"** Alum. irrigation, w/38" gates, \$1/ft.; 8" PVC, new, \$2/ft. G. Denton, Jena; (318) 922-4504.

**14" Double J** barrel racing saddle, \$425; 16" Guffey Ranch roping saddle, \$550, cash only. Christine Wascom, Denham Springs; (225) 665-5356.

(2) Propane tanks, used on delivery truck, (1) 1000-gal., (1) 1200-gal., \$250/1 obo; (1) 500-gal. propane tank, on trailer, needs tires, \$500. Max Odom, Transylvania; (318) 552-6333.

Horse washer rack, good cond., \$500. Diana Fox, New Iberia; (337) 367-8303.

**22" Carbon steel** pipe, \$15/ft.; 20" carbon steel pipe, \$14/ft. Adrian Landry, Pierre Part; (985) 252-9618

Un-used Troxel Legacy Gold riding helmet, blk., med., \$35; Allflex handheld stock prod, \$25; English bits, \$15-\$20/1; English leather saddle bag, \$20. Debby Sharbaugh, Ethel; (225) 683-4919.

**18" Cortina forward** seat English saddle, stirrups & leathers included, \$85. Karen Mixon, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-3367.

**Reg. tubing 2",** \$15/per joint; 2 1/2", \$20/per joint. Roy Matherne, Houma; (985) 851-7692.

Calf creep feeder, in very good cond., \$250; like new hay ring, \$125. Roger Willie, Folsom; (985) 796-5364.

7' Steel water trough, \$150; fire-place steel hull, \$150; Suzuki 4-wheeler, \$975; Honda 90 3-wheeler, \$450; youth saddle, \$125; king saddle, \$450; 25' camper, \$3800; motor home, \$200. Shelia Wills, Jennings; (337) 824-5197 or (337) 789-0699.

**Galv. grain** bin, on (4) legs, w/auger at bottom, 215 bu., \$1000; railroad crossties, 8' & 9', good cond., \$7.5/1. F. A. Calcote, Bunkie; (318) 346-6486 or (318) 201-0323.

Old Ford flat head motor, \$50; comm. kitchen hood, \$950; camper shell, \$400; 115 Mercury boat

motor, \$975. S. Wills, Jennings; (337) 824-5197 or (337) 789-0699.

**Diesel generator,** never used, 7 hp, elec. start w/key, 5500 watts, 110 volts w/GFCI, 220 volt ac/dc, \$3500. J. Cormier, Morrow; (318) 939-2287.

Last chance, Tipps pro portable, pressurized sandblaster, w/cougar valve, water blaster, BB wheels, used once, stored in a/c space, \$250. Charles Williams, New Orleans; (504) 482-4990.

New galv. panels, w/mud boots, all include 4' bow gate, 40' rd. pen, \$682; 50' rd. pen, \$835; 60' rd. pen, \$1039. Michael Passman, Amite; (985) 748-5094.

**Heater, new elec.** infrared portable, 4' tall, 480 volts, \$125. E. Zimmer, Baton Rouge; (800) 228-9928.

Elec. 220 welding machine, w/leads, Miller P. a/arc-HF, \$600; Ransey 8000 lb. winch, worn drive, \$550. William Pyle, Baton Rouge; (225) 273-0722.

Small factory-built spreader

cart, \$450; Ranchet type forge blower, \$250; horse-drawn sugar mill, \$500; anvil, 200 lbs. & smaller, \$2/lb. L. Fuselier, Eunice; (337) 457-4265.

15" Sylvester brand pleasure saddle, deep floral engraving, new 3" stirrup leathers, new saddle rigging, padded seat, roping type swells, excel. cond., w/new breast collar, bridle & blankets, \$300. Ed Durr, Jr., Amite; (985) 748-5556.

Antique sidesaddle, tree & original parts for pattern to restore, new leather already replaced, \$50; 18 hp Briggs & Stratton engine, ran strong when pulled from mower, \$50; (13) steel "T" posts, \$10/all. Margaret, Covington; (985) 893-5422.

(11) pc. pipe, 3 1/2" outside diameter, 3" inside diameter, 11' long, excel. cond., \$200/all. Charles Rodrigue, Thibodaux; (985) 446-6630.

**New galv. rd. pens,** all are galv. & have 6' ride-through gate, 40', \$650; 50', \$750; 60', \$850; 80', \$1075; 5' x 10' panels, \$42/1. Carl

Barlow, Pride; (225) 603-5610.

**Galv. corral** panels, 5'x10', \$42/1 or \$1000/25; 5'x12' heavy-duty, \$57/1 or \$1350/25; 140'x240' arena, w/10' gate, \$2995. Billy Barlow, Pride; (225) 603-5610.

Livestock scale, new, Paul model 240S, 2400 lb. capacity, 35"x95" platform, \$1900. John Mailhes, Keithville; (318) 925-0898.

**House piers,** concrete pyramid 12", \$2/1; plastic drums, closed top, 55-gal., wh., \$10/1. E.J. Flanagan, Hammond; (985) 345-1498.

**42" lawn sweeper,** pull behind riding mower, good cond., used 1 season, \$100. Brett, Covington; (985) 893-5422.

**Lumber sawmill,** \$1500; metal cutting band saw, \$400; lathe, metal cutting or wood, \$600; 3 hp surface grinder, \$325. D. W. Doherty, Jennings; (337) 824-2093.

**14" Beautiful** barrel saddle, blk., like new, w/accessories, Martha Josie bridle, breast plate & blanket, \$375/all. Daina Fox, New Iberia; (337) 367-8303.

**3 Phase elec.** motors, 20-75 hp, \$5/hp; 6"-24" pipe, \$2.5/ft. & up; portable shop crane, w/2 spd. ram & ext. boom, \$1500; 200 amp Lincoln arc welder, w/200' new leads, \$2500; assorted welding tools, \$25/1-up. M. Pitre, Opelousas; (337) 543-7289.

Miller welding machine, w/spool gun, 250/30 amp, sturdy stand, extras, \$1950; plasma cutter, Miller Spectrum 650, sturdy stand, \$950. K. Pitre, Eunice; (337) 457-5686.

**Aspen lumber,** 1"x6" tongue & grove w/V-grove, great for do-it-yourselfers or contractors, 49¢/L/F. Jason Curtis, Florien; (318) 586-3878 or (318) 201-7049.

**Wanted:** conveyer belt/chain to lift sq. bales into barn. Tom Richard, Scott; (337) 235-0764.

**Wanted:** used squeeze chute, needs work, repairable. D.O'Brien, Opelousas; (337) 826-0049.

**Wanted:** cattle head gate, reasonably priced; PTO post hole digger, also 2" or 3" trash pump. M. Noel, Arnaudville; (337) 945-6015.

# FROM THE FARM

Please include a statement along with your ad indicating how the item has been or can be used on a farm.

**Corn meal** or yellow grits, old time, all natural, freshly ground, at place, approx. 5 lbs., \$4.5. Audrey Miller, Sunset; (337) 662-5456.

**Fig preserves,** in thick syrup, 1/2 pint, \$3.5/1. Edith Lensgrae, Hammond; (985) 345-5452.

Goat milk soap, natural & good for your skin, no petroleum or artificial ingredients, various scents, \$4/1. Melanie Blackmer, Lake Charles; Pdavenp913@aol.com or (337) 478-2208.

**Wanted:** old sugar or syrup kettles, any size. Steven, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-8739 or (225) 938-9366.

**Wanted:** old coke machines or signs. Kathy, Baton Rouge; (225) 261-8739 or (225) 938-9366.

# Christmas Tree Farms

### <u>Acadia</u>

Branch Christmas Tree Farm 337-334-5706 Hwy. 365, .7 miles West Hwy.

### Allen

Grant Christmas Tree Farm & Syrup Mill 318-634-3408 716 Whittaker Rd., midway between DeRidder & Oberlin on Hwy. 377

# Avoyelles

Smith's Christmas Tree Farm 318-346-4480 or 318-346-2898 6781 Hwy. 115, Bunkie, 1.4 mi N Hwy. 29

# **Beauregard**

Clayton Iles Trees 337-328-7362 Hwy. 394, 1 mile west, Dry Creek

# Caddo

Adams Tree Farm 318-686-4770 6391 Buncombe Rd., .7 mi off Pines Rd.

Riall Christmas Tree Farm 318-929-2065 Hwy. 538, 3 mi N of Northwood High School

Shaw Christmas Tree Farm 318-284-3584 Hwy 71, 1 mi N Ida

Weaver's Tree Farm 318-635-1042 1-20W, N @ Pines Rd. exit, L @ Jefferson Paige Rd. R @ Jolly Naiper Rd.

# **Cameron**

Hebert's Christmas Tree Farm 337-762-4732 A.J. Lane, West of Hackberry

# <u>Catahoula</u>

Fletcher & Sons Tree Farm 318-389-5894 FM 921, 3 Mi S Hwy. 15, between Clayton & Sicily Island

### **Claiborne**

Puckett's Christmas Tree Farm 318-343-1545 Hwy. 2, 5 mi W Bernice, follow signs from downtown Bernice

# Concordia

Marie's Trees 318-757-4911 North of Ferriday on Hwy. 15, W on Kentucky Ave., 2 mi on Doty Rd

# **DeSoto**

Santa's Woods 318-797-4749 I-49 S to exit 191 Stonewall, E 4 mi on L

# **East Baton Rouge**

Christmas Forest 225-654-3247 Hwy. 964, 4 miles north of Zachary

Deerland Tree Farm 225-654-4885 Hwy. 64, E of Hwy. 64 & 67

Kringlewood Christmas Tree Farm 225-658-4999 9050 Hwy. 64, 1 1/4 miles east of Plank Road, Zachary

# East Feliciana

Windy Hills Farm

225-683-6828 Hwy 19 N, R on 963, 2 mi on R

# <u>Iberia</u>

Kris Kringle Tree Farm, Inc. 337-276-9694 2709 Kris Kringle Rd., PR 805 from Hwy. 668; S off Hwy 90



# <u>Lafayette</u>

Lisa's Christmas Tree Farm 337-856-5634 W Hwy. 92, left on Marteau Rd.

# <u>Lincoln</u>

Beaver's Christmas Tree Farm 318-247-8238 I-20, 4 miles W of Ruston to Industry exit, N on Hwy. 563, 5 miles, on right

Evergreen Farms 318-251-2669 Hwy. 80, ½ mile W of Barnett Springs Road

# **Livingston**

Crowder Family Tree Farm 225-665-8726 Exit I-12, S Denham Springs, L @ 4-way stop, L @ school, 2 mi on Right

King's Christmas Tree Farm 225-567-9670 James King Rd., 1 mi W of Albany/Springfield Rd., S of I-12 Exit 32

# **Ouachita**

Pepper Christmas Tree Farm 318-387-5172 From W Monroe, 9 miles S Hwy. 34, left on Hwy. 557, 2.5 miles to farm Precious Memories Tree Farm 318-396-5113 2 mi N I-20 exit 108 Hwy. 15, left 3 mi, R on Glen Acres Rd.

### Rapides

A & N Christmas Forest 318-563-4011 (Night) or 318-447-1228 (Day) From Alexandria, Hwy. 1 S 18 mi to Echo, turn R at Cheneyville Echo Rd or Sandy Lane Rd, ½ mi to stop sign, turn L, 2nd house on right

Milton's Christmas Tree Farm 318-442-0026

Poland Community, 10 mi SE of Alexandria, off Hwy. 1 on Hwy. 457

Peachy Pines 318-443-3036 Hwy. 107, S Pineville

# Richland

Curry's Christmas Tree Farm 318-728-6203 Hwy. 133, 2 miles S I-20, 1 mile east on Robinson Dr., follow signs

# **Sabine**

L & L Christmas Trees 318-645-6988 157 Main Street

# St. Tammany

Cowart Christmas Tree Farm 985-886-3142 Cowart Rd., 1 mi from Hwy. 41, S of Bush

Shady Pond Tree Farm 985-863-5569 On Pine Street, off Hwy. 41, near Pearl River, follow signs

Santa's Tree Town 985-892-8340 Hemphill Rd., S Hwy. 1083 Tiger Branch Christmas Trees 504-834-7786

6 mi N of Covington on Hwy. 25, turn R at Million Dollar Rd., follow signs

Porter's Christmas Tree Farm 985-641-4321

Hwy. 1090 (Military Road) & Brownswitch Road, NE of Slidell

Country Pines 985-893-2036 Jim Sharp Rd., E Hwy. 437

Treeland of Slidell 985-641-0249

Northshore Square Mall Shopping Center, Hwy. 190 W & Northshore Blvd. or Exit 80 I-12 (Airport Road-Northshore Blvd.)

# **Tensas**

Barfield Tree Farm 318-467-5532 Hwy. 4, 3.5 mi W Hwy. 65

# **Vermilion**

Vincent's Christmas Tree Farm 337-643-6380 NE of Kaplan on Hwy. 700, 2 mi N Hwy. 35

# Vernon

Sander's Christmas Tree Farm 337-565-3152 Hwy. 171 & Westbrook Rd., ½ mi S Hornbeck

# Washington

Kennedy's Christmas Tree Farm 985-848-2782 Hwy. 438, 1 mi W of Hwy. 62, follow signs near Pine High School

# Webster

Hollis Tree Farm 318-371-0530 From Minden, 2 mi U.S. Hwy. 79, L Miller Rd, go 3 mi



# Christmas Sweets & Treats

# **Pralines**

1 ½ cup sugar

½ cup light brown sugar

½ cup evaporated milk

Cook until candy thermometer reaches soft boil stage; take off stove.

Add: ½ stick butter

1 tsp. vanilla

2 cups pecan pieces

Stir until thick but not hard. Place kitchen towel on counter and place wax paper on top. Using a tablespoon, spoon mixture onto wax paper leaving 2 inches between each praline and let cool. Peel off paper and store in a tight lid container.

# Peach Crunch

½ cup butter ½ cup sugar 1 pkg. Duncan Hines yellow cake mix 1 tsp. cinnamon 1 large can sliced peaches (drain and 1 cup sour cream reserve juice) 2 egg yolks

Heat oven to 350. Cut butter into dry cake mix. Mix together until crumbly. Press into a 9x13 Pyrex dish, building up on the edges. Bake for 10 min. Arrange peaches on warm crust. Pour ½ cup of reserved juice over peaches. In another bowl, mix together the sugar and cinnamon, then sprinkle over peaches. Mix sour cream and egg yolks together, then pour over peaches. Bake for 25 min. at 350 degrees.

# Quickie Fudge

Sweet Potato

**Brownies** 

Glaze

1 lb. powdered sugar ½ cup butter or margarine ½ cup of cocoa 1 tbsp. vanilla

½ cup chopped pecans ½ cup milk

Blend together powdered sugar and cocoa in a 9-inch square Pyrex dish. Add milk and butter. Cook for 2 minutes. Remove dish from oven and stir just to mix ingredients. Add vanilla and nuts. Stir until blended. Place in freezer for 20 minutes or refrigerate for 1 hour. Cut and serve.

# Sweet Potato **Brownies**

1½ cup flour 4 eggs

2 cups sugar 2 tsps. vanilla

1 tsp. salt 2 cups grated Louisiana sweet potatoes

1 cup butter, softened

1 cup powdered sugar 1/4 stick melted butter Milk

1 cup chopped pecans

Mix powered sugar, butter and enough milk to make a thin graze. Spread on brownies while hot. Cool and slice when ready to serve.

# Mix sugar and butter together. Add remaining ingredients stirring after each addition. Bake at 350 degrees in a 10 x13 greased pan for 30 to 40 minutes until toothpick comes out clean.

# Louisiana Sweet Potato Cake

2 cups sugar 1 tsp. salt

½ cup cooking oil 3 cups sifted flour

2 tsps. baking powder

3 cups grated Louisiana sweet potatoes 2 tsps. baking soda

½ cup chopped pecans 2 tsps. cinnamon

Cream oil and sugar. Add dry ingredients which have been sifted together. Add eggs one at a time beating well after each addition. Add grated Louisiana sweet potatoes and nuts and mix well. Bake in 3, 8" layer pans which have been greased and floured. Bake for 30 - 35 minutes at 350 degrees. Cool well before icing.

# Louisiana Sweet, Potato Cake

**Icing** 

1 (8 oz.) pkg. cream cheese 1 stick butter or margarine

2 tsps. vanilla 1 box powdered sugar

Cream butter or margarine and cream cheese. Add sugar and vanilla. Mix well and put on cooled cake.

# Coming Your Way

**The Silver Spur** Rodeo Club will host shows Nov. 27 and Dec. 11 at the Grand Casino Coushatta in Kinder.

All shows will be held in the climate-controlled pavilion.

Events include barrels, poles, stakes, roping, goat tying, ground roping, breakaway, mugging, tie down and team roping.

For more information, contact Neil Foster at (337) 598-2380 or Ellen Guilbeaux (337) 855-7529.

**Old Union Grove** Arena is sponsoring a barrel race scheduled for Dec. 3. The races are 4-D format buckle series.

Exhibitions begin at 6 p.m. and races begin at 8 p.m. The entry fee is \$20.

For more information, contact Duncan McLindon at (985) 892-2686.

**Louisiana Beekeepers Assoc.** will hold its 43rd annual convention Dec. 3-4 at the Regency Continental in Shreveport.

Sessions include beekeeping basics, honey bee research and pest management.

The registration fee for the convention is \$10.

For more information, contact Jimmy Dunkley at (225) 952-8100 or Billy Hummer at (318) 742-3541.

The Horseman Association of Southwest Louisiana has team calf sorting events every Saturday starting at 5 p.m. with practice runs for children at the Dairy Festival Barn in Abbeville.

Adult registration begins at 6 p.m.

All skill levels are welcome.

For more information, contact Valerie at (337) 212-0544.

A registered horse sale will be held Jan. 28, 2005, at the Beauregard Parish Civic Center Arena in DeRidder.

This sale is open to registered quarter horses, paints, appaloosas and thoroughbreds.

For more information, contact Tommy Carson at (337) 263-3317.

**Deep South Stock** Horse Show Association annual awards banquet will be held at 7p.m. Dec. 11 at the Fraternal Order of Police Hall on Greenwell Springs Road in Baton Rouge.

The banquet will feature a catered meal and door prizes. Admission is \$5 for adults and youth. Children under the age of 8 are free.

For more information, contact deepsouthhorseshow@yahoo.com or call Jenny Redhead at (225)665-2382.

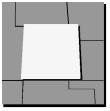
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# News around the nation

Agriculture & Forestry issues from across the 50 states

# VSV numbers in Colorado livestock decrease



The number of cases of vesicular stomatitis virus (VSV) in Colorado has steadily declined due to precautions taken by livestock owners and cooler temperatures.

As of late October, 148 horses, 119 cattle, four sheep and goats, and two alpacas have been infected with the disease, involving a total of 107 premises in the state

"Fortunately, the cases of VSV are dwindling and fewer than we expected," said Wayne Cunningham, state veterinarian at the Colorado Department of Agriculture. "Since the disease usually doesn't result in an animal's death, its significance lies in the fact that it resembles foot-and-mouth disease, which is much more economically devastating."

Vesicular stomatitis is a viral disease that is usually not fatal but causes painful lesions around an infected animal's mouth, nostrils, teats and hooves, symptoms similar to foot-and-mouth disease. Only laboratory tests can differentiate the diseases. All disease samples in Colorado have been conducted at the National Veterinary Services Laboratory in Ames, Iowa.

VSV primarily affects cattle, horses, and swine. These blisters enlarge and break, leaving raw tissue that is so painful infected animals generally refuse to eat or drink and show signs of lameness. Severe weight loss usually follows.

"The economic impact of VSV can be quite

costly for livestock producers, especially those in the dairy industry," said Cunningham. "Dairy cows can have a severe drop in milk production within infected herds."

Since the disease is believed to be spread by insects, preventative measures include keeping susceptible animals in dry corrals and stables, using insecticides and insect repellents daily, providing good nutrition and not handling animals excessively.

Prior to this year, the last case of VSV in Colorado was diagnosed in 1998. Although vulnerable, humans are rarely infected with the disease and usually display flu-like symptoms. In addition to livestock, other susceptible animals include llamas, goats and wild animals such as deer, bobcats and raccoons.

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Gernon said the audience response was overwhelming and practically guaranteed him TV coverage for the next year's crop.

Planning for future media coverage, Gernon wrote a press release on Christmas tree farming. He called it "Notes to Christmas Trees." This pragmatic approach helped him overcome any fear he felt from appearing on camera.

"The mistake most people make when a TV camera comes out is to be intimidated by it," Gernon speculated. "But we are the (tree) experts so we need to act like it on camera.

"It was a matter of conquering your fear and knowing that I know more about the subject than most people."

Gernon said his "Notes" basically became a script for WDSU for the next six years as Shady Pond Tree Farm actually became a location for the station's entire morning show.

"We did all kinds of crazy things on the show," Gernon said. "We flew hot air balloons out here. I had Chef Mike Russell come out and we did Bananas Foster out here.

"We got Chef Mike R. in his full chef outfit standing out in the middle of Christmas trees with a flambé going. The public went bonkers over this stuff."

Gernon was quick to make his operation as media friendly as possible.

He has an ever-expanding newsletter complete with folksy anecdotes about life on the farm. He is well-spoken and possesses a mellifluous baritone speaking voice.

And he has modeled his farm into something journalists and TV producers would want to write about by focusing on exotic Christmas trees.

It was his inclusion of the rare *Cedrus deodara*, the scientific name of the deodar cedar, on his Web page that attracted the atten-

tion of the mighty publishing juggernaut Hearst Corporation. His Web site, www.cgernon.com/sptf/, won the 1998 NCTA Web site competition.

"When I built the Web site and put it up for the world to view, within 30 days the first publishing company had come," Gernon said. "The Hearst Corporation wanted to link it to their internet-only magazine called Botanica because of *Cedrus deodara*.

"That's when I began to discover that general public access to the Web site was important, but it was real important for media access."

According to the Shady Pond Tree Farm Web site, the *Cedrus deodara* is "an elegant tree native to the western Himalayas." The cedar, which can grow to heights of 200 feet, was used for lumber in ancient Egypt to build sarcophagi (coffins) for mummies.

Gernon's farm also features other exotic trees including the Silver Smoke, Carolina Sapphire (*Cupressus arizonica var. glabra*), King William's pine (*Cryptomeria japonica*) and the popular Leyland cypress (*x Cupressocyparis leylandii*).

It is his voluminous knowledge of each of these trees that makes Gernon a natural quote machine for media.

Nancy Kalish, a freelance writer, included quotes from Gernon in the upcoming December Reader's Digest story entitled "A Top Notch Tree."

"Clarke's tips and advice were invaluable," Kalish said. "He was a terrific interview who put up with all my questions. Since I'm a city girl and never grew a tree, they were plentiful."

Gernon said that Southern Living magazine will also feature a story about his Christmas trees in their December 2004 issue.

But the plum media plug was the two appearances Gernon put in on

NBC's Weekend Today show.

The second appearance, in 2002, began with the late David Bloom, who died while reporting in Iraq, asking Gernon in credulously, "You're from Louisiana. I'm from Minnesota and you're going to tell me about Christmas trees?"

Gernon said NBC asked the NCTA for a Christmas tree expert to do the show. What NBC did not know was that Gernon was now a polished oncamera talent.

"There was no other grower in the United States that had as

much television experience," Gernon remembered. This television savvy gave Gernon the temerity to suggest changes in NBC's script and lighting plans.

"When NBC puts a spot together, NBC wants exactly what WDSU wants and deserves because it's their money. They want to look good," Gernon said.

The director agreed with Gernon's changes.

"I was using my philosophy that I'm the expert on the trees. They are the experts on the electronics part. My role was to bring those two parts together to get a quality product.

"NBC knows a lot about a lot of things. But they don't know anything about this subject. This is my subject. I've got all this experience with this subject and it's right. I know it's right."

The shoot was set up in front of 30 Rockefeller Plaza in New York City and Gernon made his on-camera appearance in a black and red plaid coat.



Gernon can trim one Christmas tree every 10 seconds with his mechanized tree trimmer.

"NBC loved it," Gernon said. "I got the Paul Bunyan look and they went absolutely ballistic over the coat.

"I met David Bloom during the commercial break right before the spot. By the time we're ready to run, they're comfortable with me. I'm comfortable with them. We've got five cameras and David started out with the hook, 'You're from Louisiana. I'm from Minnesota and you're going to tell me about Christmas trees?' Once you set that hook, there was nobody going to walk away from the TV," Gernon said.

Gernon learned from his national TV exposure and incorporated his new found knowledge it into his "Notes to Christmas Trees."

At the time of the late October interview for this Market Bulletin story, Gernon said no television media had called to schedule video appearances. Yet.

When they do, Gernon will be able to say, "I'm ready for my close-up, Mr. DeMille."



## Gibsland

Gibsland Farmers Market Assoc. Main Street

**BIENVILLE PARISH** 

Wed. & Sat. 7 a.m.

until sold out June - Oct.

# CADDO PARISH

### **Shreveport**

Festival Plaza Farmers Market river front at Festival Plaza Wed. & Sat. 6:00 - 11 a.m. June 5-July 31

Sat. only Aug. 1-28

# **CALCASIEU PARISH**

## Lake Charles

Lake Charles Farmers Market 317 Pine Street

Sat. 8 a.m. - noon

Jan. - Dec.

# **EAST BATON ROUGE**

# **PARISH**

# **Baton Rouge**

Red Stick Farmers Market #1 On Fifth St. near Main & Galvez Parking Garage

Sat. 8 a.m.- noon.

Jan.-Dec.

Red Stick Farmers Market #2 8470 Goodwood Blvd.

Unitarian Church Parking Lot

Tues. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

### May-July & Sept. - Dec. Evangeline Parish

Ville Platte Farmers Market 11 East Main Street

Fri. 5 p.m.-7 p.m. Fall schedule TBA

# IBERIA PARISH

# New Iberia

year round

Teche Area Farmers Market Iberia St. & Main St. Tues. 4 - 7 p.m. Sat. 7 - 10:30 a.m.

# Visit your local farmers market

# **LAFAYETTE PARISH**

### Lafayette

Acadiana Farmers Market 801 Foreman Dr. & Dulles St. Tues., Thurs. & Sat. 5 - 10 a.m.

Jan. - Dec.

# <u>LAFOURCHE PARISH</u>

### Thibodaux

Thibodaux Main Street Market 310 West 2nd Street Sat. 7 - 11 a.m.

April-July & Sept.-Dec. MADISON PARISH

# Tallulah

Tallulah Farmers Market 408 N. Cedar St., Hwy. 165 Tues., Thurs. & Sat.

8 a.m. - noon, May-Nov. <u>NATCHITOCHES PARISH</u>

### **Natchitoches**

Cane River Green Market Cane River Bank Sat. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

April - Nov. 15

# <u>ORLEANS PARISH</u>

# **New Orleans**

Crescent City Farmers Market Locations:

#1-700 Magazine St. & Girod St. Saturday 8 a.m. - noon

Jan. - Dec.

#2 - Uptown Square, 200

Broadway

Tues. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Jan. - Dec.

#3 - French Market Place &

Governor Nicholls Wed. 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Jan. - Dec. #4 - American Can Parking Lot 3700 Orleans Ave.

Thurs. 3 p.m.-7 p.m., year round

# <u>OUACHITA PARISH</u>

# Monroe

Monroe Farmers Market 1212 Washington St.

Mon. - Sat.

6 a.m. - 1 p.m. June - Aug. 20

West Monroe

West Monroe Farmers Market 1700 North 7th St.

Mon. - Sat.

6 a.m. - 6 p.m.

# ST. LANDRY PARISH

**Opelousas** 

St. Landry Farmers Market 952 East Landry St., Hwy. 90 Tues., Thurs. & Sat.

6 a.m. - 11 a.m., Jan.-Dec. ST. MARTIN PARISH

# St. Martinville

St. Martinville Creole Farmers Market

Evangeline Blvd. & Main St. Sat. 9 a.m. - 12:30, May-Dec.

# ST. TAMMANY PARISH

### Covington

Covington Farmers Market City Hall, 609 North Columbia Sat. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Wed. noon - 4 p.m. Jan. - Dec.

### Mandeville

Mandeville Trailhead Community Market 675 Lafitte St.

Sat. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

# TANGIPAHOA PARISH

### Hammond

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Clarke Gernon explains the finer points of Christmas tree production to WWL reporter Mike Ross and the New Orleans TV market from his Pearl River farm (above). Gernon watches a video replay of his interview with the late David Bloom on NBC's Weekend Today show (right). Gernon keeps a number of big Christmas trees growing at Shady Pond (below).

# Clark Gernon of Pearl River has been in the Christmas tree farming business since its inception in Louisiana. Over the years he's learned to effectively promote the industry and his farm by working with the local, regional and national media.

For the record, Christmas tree farming has only been an industry in Louisiana since 1979. California, North Carolina, Oregon, Michigan, Washington, Wisconsin and Pennsylvania are the top producing Christmas tree states.

In 2003, Louisiana producers marketed 28,000 Christmas trees to the public. Oregon alone grows more than 8 million trees annually.

So why did NBC call Pearl River Christmas tree farmer Clarke Gernon when it needed an expert for a holiday spot on the long-running Today Show?

For that matter, nationally published magazines Reader's Digest, Southern Living and Newsweek called Gernon for Christmas tree info as well.

The answer is practice, practice, practice.

Gernon didn't really practice to be a Christmas tree commentator on a major U.S. television network. But when New Orleans' WDSU chose Gernon's Shady Pond Tree Farm as a location for their popular morning TV show, he was absorbing data like a sponge and learned the basics of videography.

In other words, he knows what looks good on TV.

And it also doesn't hurt that Gernon is an active member of the National Christmas Tree Association (NCTA).

Gernon didn't get to be the chairman of the scientific research committee of the NCTA without being knowledgeable.

He has been growing Christmas trees since 1979 and his farm has always sought out the



exotic and unusual tree. His natural scientific aptitude as a mechanical engineer dovetails nicely with his gentleman farmer

He rattles off the scientific names of his trees with ease as he shows visitors around the farm. His mechanical skill has allowed him to do extensive customization to his tractors and other equipment.

The media coverage began when Christmas tree farming was a new thing in Louisiana. Every TV station and print pub-

lication in the state began running features on the wonderfully wholesome and novel concept of home-grown Louisiana Christmas trees.

"Back then Pam Hodson was the media contact for the LSU Cooperative Extension Service," Gernon said. "She asked me if I was interested in appearing on WDSU's morning show."

"You know how long it took me to say 'yes," Gernon said with a smile.

But it was a combination of "guts and luck" that created a fascinating visual on television screens throughout the lakeshore area.

Gernon recalled he brought out the mechanized tree trimmer that has three whirring blade attachments. The trimmer looks like a cross between a backhoe and Edward Scissorhands.

"We had a heavy frost that morning and as I came down the row trimming Christmas trees, one very ten seconds, the blades would hit the ice on the trees," Gernon said. "It was a visual that producers would die to get their hands on."

"Steve Bellas (the WDSU reporter) said it was the best morning show they ever did," Gernon recalled.

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# The King of all Christmas tree media



